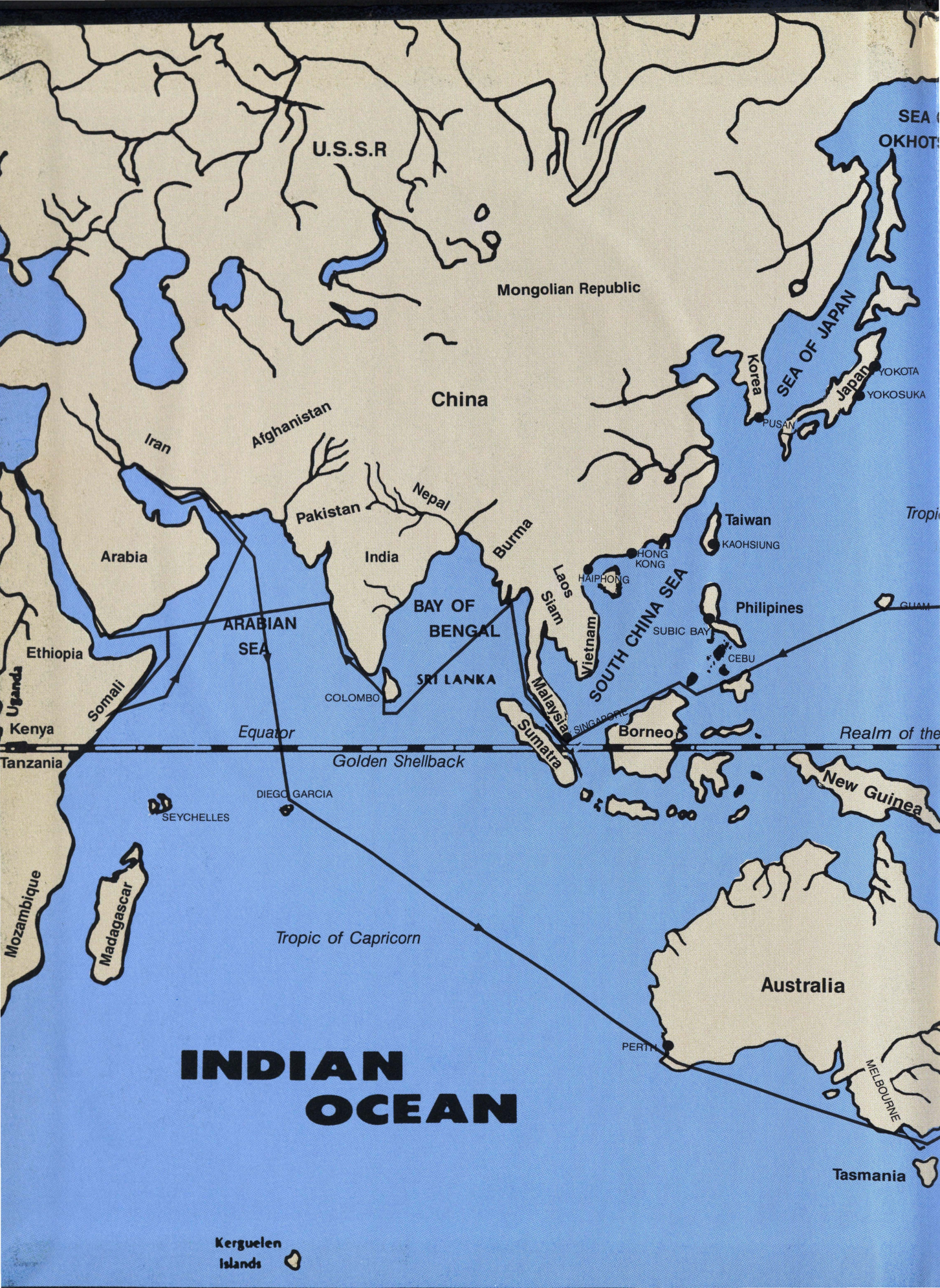




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BAY OF BENGAL

SRI LANKA

COLOMBO

Equator

Golden Shellback

DIEGO GARCIA

SEYCHELLES

Tropic of Capricorn

INDIAN OCEAN

Kerguelen Islands

SEA OF OKHOT

SEA OF JAPAN

Korea

Japan

YOKOTA

YOKOSUKA

PUSAN

Taiwan

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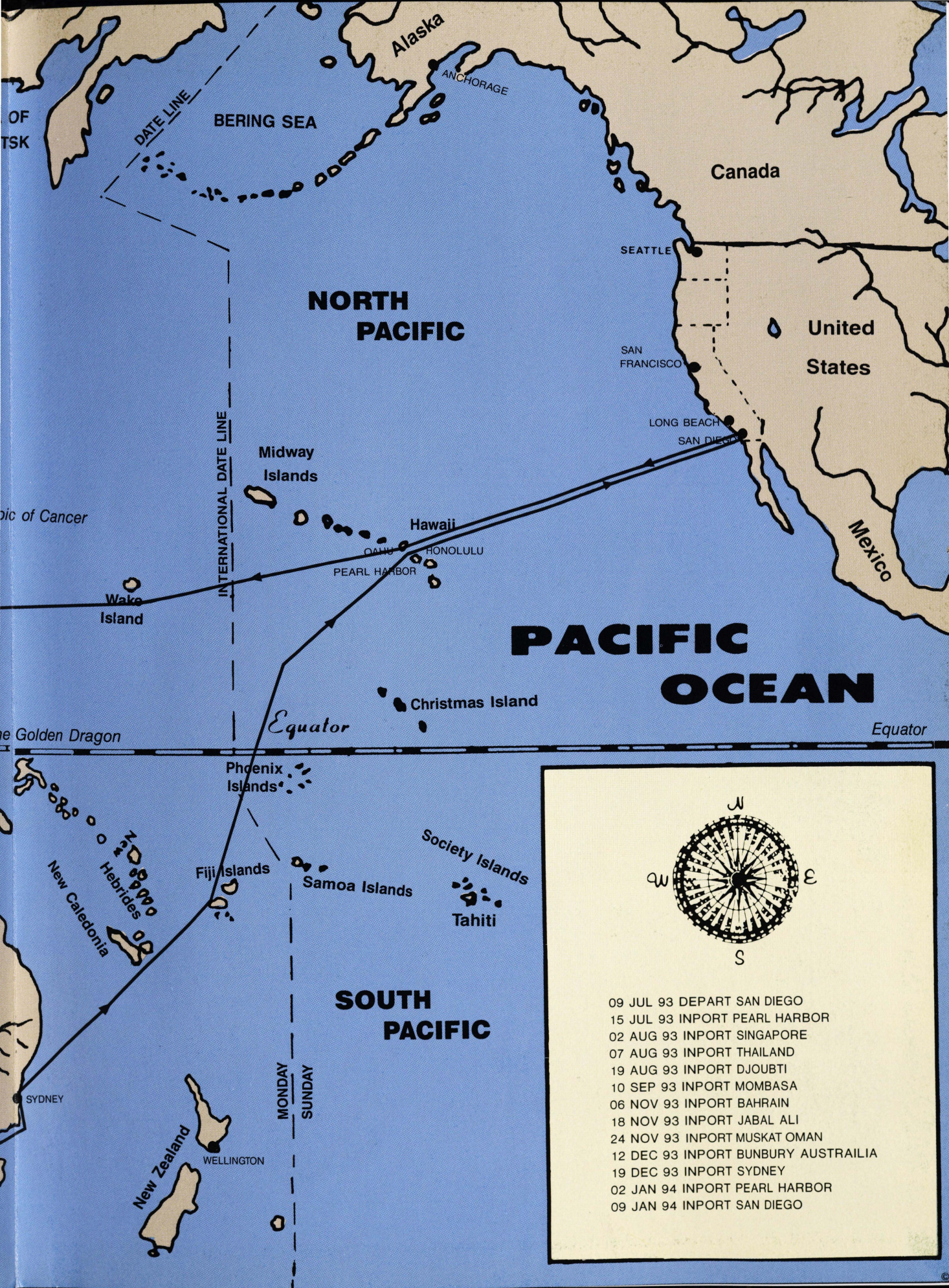
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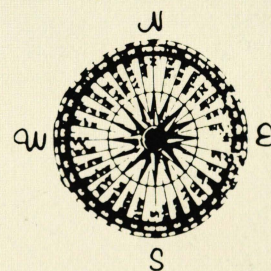
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PACIFIC OCEAN



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15 JUL 93 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
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07 AUG 93 INPORT THAILAND
19 AUG 93 INPORT DJOUBTI
10 SEP 93 INPORT MOMBASA
06 NOV 93 INPORT BAHRAIN
18 NOV 93 INPORT JABAL ALI
24 NOV 93 INPORT MUSKAT OMAN
12 DEC 93 INPORT BUNBURY AUSTRALIA
19 DEC 93 INPORT SYDNEY
02 JAN 94 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
09 JAN 94 INPORT SAN DIEGO

***THE USS RENTZ
PRESENTS
WEST PAC '93-'94***

AKA

***“GUESS PAC 94” - HERE TODAY,
WHERE TOMORROW?***



A PROUD HERITAGE . . .

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

The President of the United States takes pride in presenting
the NAVY CROSS posthumously to

COMMANDER GEORGE SNAVELY RENTZ, CHAPLAIN CORPS
UNITED STATES NAVY

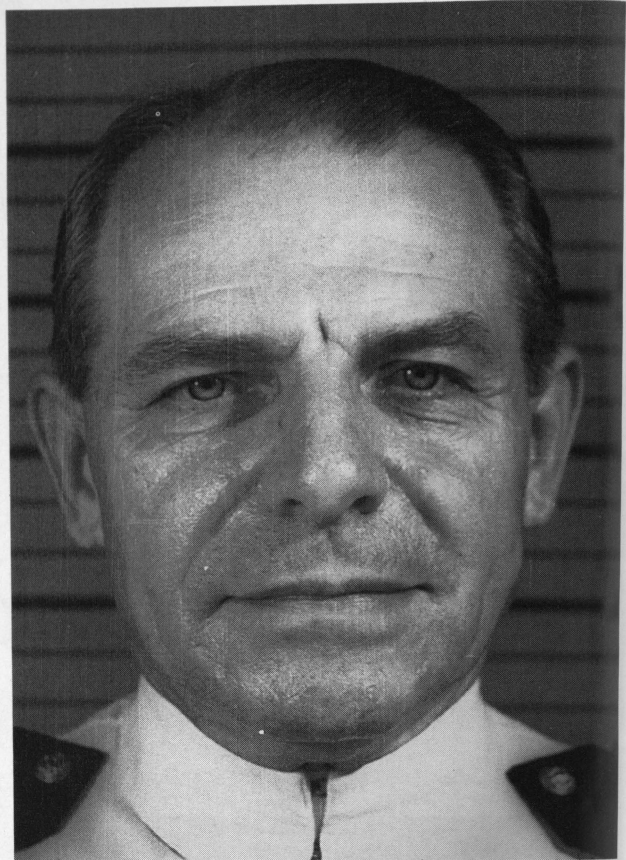
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For extraordinary heroism while attached to the U.S.S. HOUSTON, when that vessel was torpedoed and subsequently sunk by enemy Japanese aerial forces in the Java Sea, February 28, 1942. Finding refuge on an airplane pontoon after abandoning the doomed ship, Commander Rentz became deeply concerned when he observed that many injured survivors of the HOUSTON were floundering in the water without life jackets and struggling desperately to remain afloat by clinging to the sides of dangerously overcrowded rafts and floating debris. Reasoning simply and with great-hearted wisdom and humility, he determined to relinquish both his life jacket and his place on the pontoon to others, declaring in substance, 'You men are young. I am an old man, I have lived the major part of my life and I am willing to go.' Inspired by the complete self-abnegation of their spiritual adviser, no man present was willing that Commander Rentz should so yield his life and every effort was made to restrain him from his avowed intention. Remaining constant throughout the long hours of exposure, he succeeded in leaving the pontoon several times despite frailty and increasing exhaustion, to be brought back by watchful companions each time until finally, taking advantage of the cloak of darkness of night, he placed his life jacket on a wounded man and quietly slipped into the sea to face the Infinite peacefully and with the deep integrity of his spirit unbetrayed by selfish consideration. Held in reverence by every member of his ship's company, Commander Rentz had devoted himself consistently to the well being of all on board the gallant HOUSTON, strengthening their courage and forbearance with enduring faith and sublime understanding and enabling them, in the final extremity, to accept the temporal hardships and uncertainties of their circumstances with stoic fortitude and the will to survive. He gallantly gave his life that others might live."

For the President,

James Forrestal
Secretary of the Navy



GEORGE SNAVELY RENTZ
1882 - 1942

Born on July 25, 1882 in Lebanon, Pennsylvania, George Snavely Rentz graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary, was ordained by Presbytery of Northumberland in 1909, and pastored churches in Pennsylvania and New Jersey for eight years. Following entry of the United States in World War I, he was appointed acting chaplain with the rank of Lieutenant Junior Grade and assigned to the 11th Regiment of Marines in France until 1919. He attained the rank of Commander in 1924. Among his sea duty assignments, he served in USS FLORIDA (BB-30); USS WRIGHT (AV-1); USS WEST VIRGINIA (BB-48); AND USS AUGUSTA (CA-31). In 1940, when the USS HOUSTON (CA-30) relieved AUGUSTA as flagship of the ASIATIC FLEET, Commander Rentz transferred to the new arrival.

COAT OF ARMS — USS RENTZ (FFG-46)



BLAZON

- Shield:** Barry wavy azure and argent on a cross of the first a diminished cross argent.
- Crest:** From a wreath argent and azure behind two warheads saltirewise argent a demi-trident palewise or interlaced through the tines by a palm wreath reversed vert tied gules.
- Motto:** On a scroll or double azure the inscription "DREAD NOUGHT", in dark blue letters. Motto derived from traditional Royal Navy expression "Fear God and Dread Nought."

SYMBOLISM

- Shield:** The dark blue cross refers to the Navy Cross awarded to Commander Rentz, the heroic Chaplain of the heavy cruiser Houston, for his selfless bravery following the loss of that ship in the Battle of the Sunda Strait on 1 March 1942. The wavy blue and white bars symbolize water, the Navy's element, and allude to the manner in which Commander Rentz gave his life to save another. The silver cross denotes his service as a Chaplain. It forms the illusion of a strengthening bond epitomizing Commander George S. Rentz's actions and service aboard the USS Houston while under enemy attack.
- Crest:** The trident, a traditional naval symbol, supports a palm wreath, reversed to indicate the posthumous nature of Commander Rentz's award. The palms signify the eventual victory in the Pacific for which he gave his life. The warheads symbolize the attack that sunk the USS Houston as well as the strength and firepower of the new FFG 46 named in Commander Rentz's honor.
- Motto:** Dark blue and gold are the colors traditionally used by the Navy and symbolize the sea and excellence.

SEAL

The complete coat of arms in full color as in the blazon upon a white oval background enclosed by a dark blue border with an outer edge of gold rope inscribed "USS RENTZ" at top and "FFG 46" in base all in gold.

SHIP'S CHARACTERISTICS

- Built By:** Todd Pacific Shipyards Corporation
Los Angeles Division
San Pedro, California
- Keel Laid:** 18 September 1982
- Christened:** 16 July 1983
- Commissioned:** 30 June 1984 at Long Beach Naval Station,
Long Beach, California
- Displacements:** 3800 Tons
- Length:** 453 Feet
- Beam:** 47 Feet
- Complement:** 15 Officers, 16 Chief Petty Officers,
171 Enlisted
- Propulsion:**
 - Two General Electric LM2500 Gas Turbines for 41,000 Shaft Horsepower
 - One Controllable Reversible Pitch Propeller
 - Two 350 Horsepower Electric Drive Auxiliary Propulsion Units
- Auxiliaries:** Four 1000 Kilowatt Ship's Service Diesel Generators
- Speed:** 30 Knots
- Aircraft:** Two SH-60B Seahawk Helicopters
- Armament:**
 - MK 13 Guided Missile Launcher
 - HARPOON Anti-Ship Missile
 - Standard Anti-Aircraft Missile
 - MK 75 76MM/62 Caliber Rapid Firing Gun
 - MK 32 ASW Torpedo Tubes (Two Triple Mounts)
 - MK 15 Close-in Weapon System
- Combat Systems:**
 - AN/SPS-49 Air Search Radar
 - AN/SPS-55 Surface Search Radar
 - MK 92 Fire Control System
 - AN/SQ-32 Electronic Warfare System
 - AN/SQS-56 Sonar
 - MK 36 SRBOC Decoy System
 - AN/SQ-25 Torpedo Countermeasure System
 - AN/SQ-89 ASW Integration System
 - LAMPS MK III Weapon System
 - SQR-19 Tactical Towed Array Sonar (Installed later)



COMMANDING OFFICER

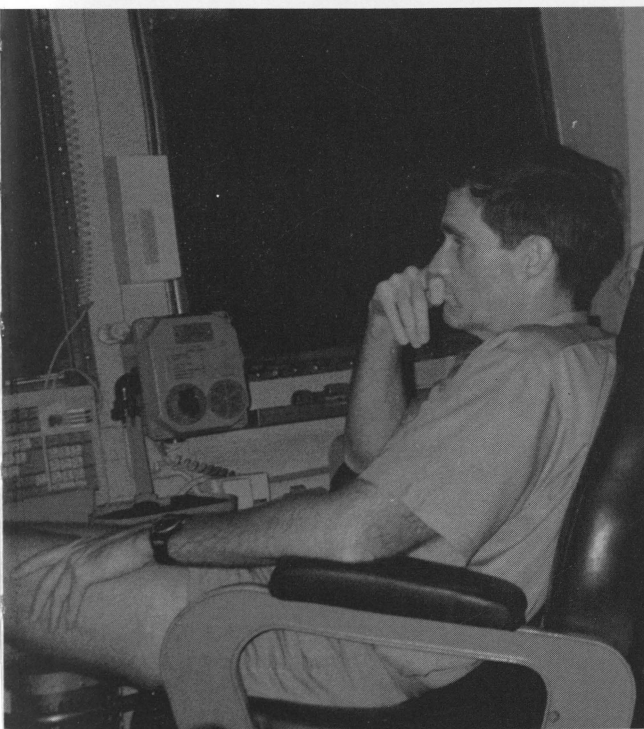
Commander Bruce Thomas Van Belle was born on 6 July 1950 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Villanova University and was commissioned in May 1973 through NROTC. He served in USS FISKE (DD 842) as Damage Control Assistant and in USS COMPASS ISLAND (AG 153) as CIC/Electronics Material Officer.

Following graduation from Surface Warfare Officer Department Head School, he served as Engineering Officer in USS ALWIN (FF 1081), then as Executive Officer in USS BRONSTEIN (FF 1037).

Remaining at sea, Commander Van Belle served as Readiness and Training Officer, on the Staff of Commander, Cruiser Destroyer Group Five, as Executive Officer in USS SCHOFIELD (FFG 3), and as Commanding Officer of USS INPLICIT (MSO 455).

He served as Head, Mine Warfare Branch (OP-721) on the Staff of the Chief of Naval Operations prior to reporting as Commanding Officer USS RENTZ (FFA-46).

Commander Van Belle has been awarded the Bronze Star (with Combat V), two Meritorious Service Medals, three Navy Commendation Medals and the Navy Achievement Medal. Commander Van Belle was recently selected for promotion to the rank of Captain.



"I HOPE WE'RE NOT LOST"

Command At Sea

"Only a seaman realizes to what great extent an entire ship reflects the personality and ability of one individual, her Commanding Officer. To a landsman this is not understandable and sometimes even difficult for us to comprehend, but it is so!"

A ship at sea is a different world in herself and in consideration of the protracted and distant operations of the fleet units the Navy must place great power, responsibility, and trust in the hands of those leaders chosen for command.

In each ship there is one man who, in the hour of emergency or peril at sea can turn to no other man. There is one who alone is ultimately responsible for the safe navigation, engineering performance, accurate gunfire and morale of his ship. He is the Commanding Officer. He is the ship!

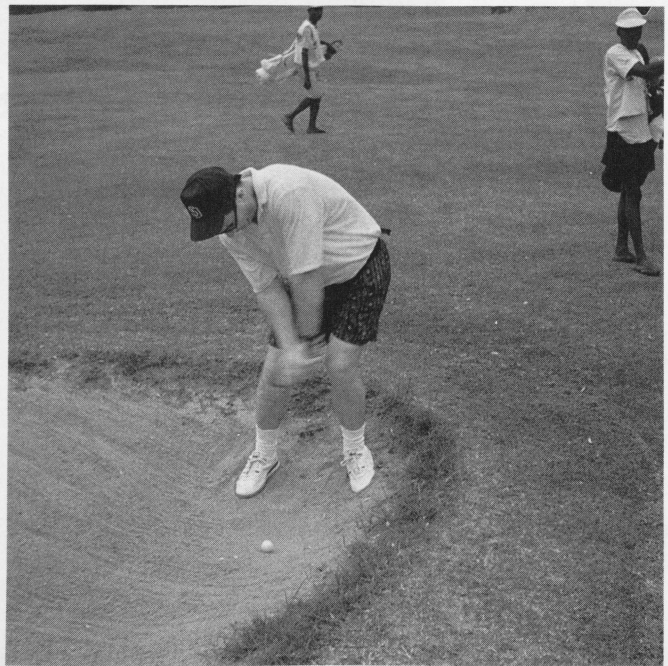
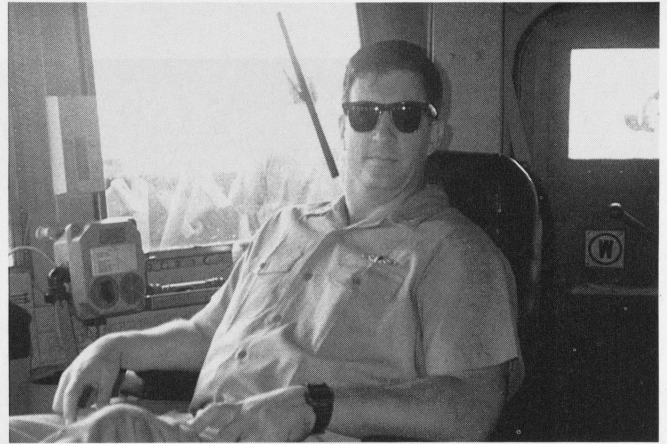
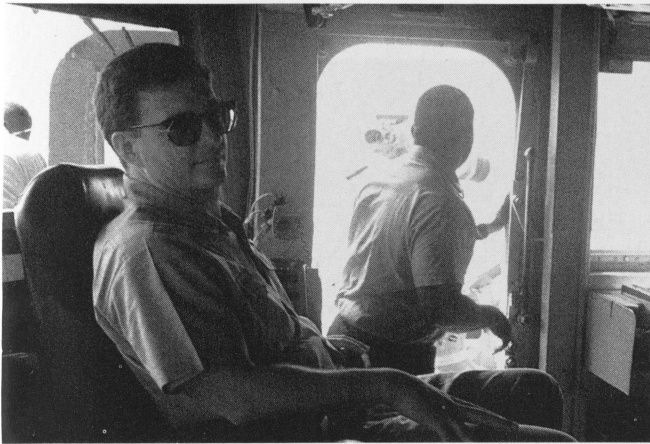
This is the most difficult and demanding assignment in the Navy. There is not an instant during his tour as Commanding Officer that he can escape the grasp of command responsibility. His privileges in view of his obligations are almost ludicrously small; nevertheless Command is the spur which has given the Navy its great leaders.

It is the duty which most richly deserves the highest, time-honored title of the seafaring world ... CAPTAIN."

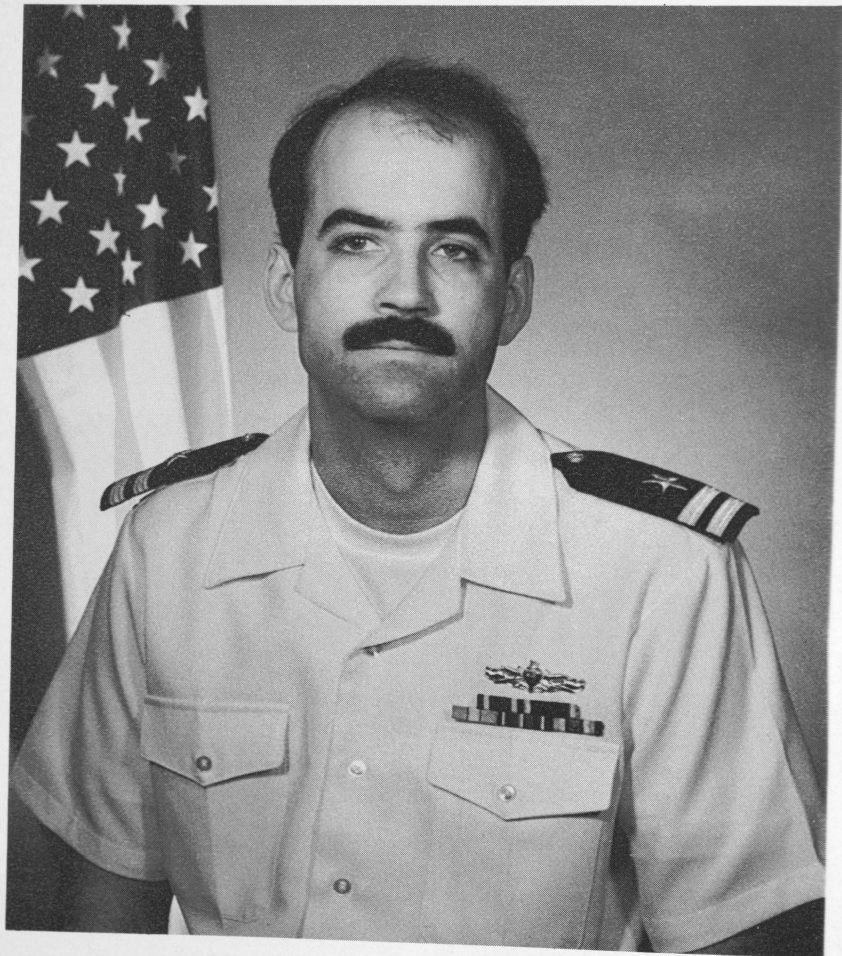
JOSEPH CONRAD



EXECUTIVE OFFICER

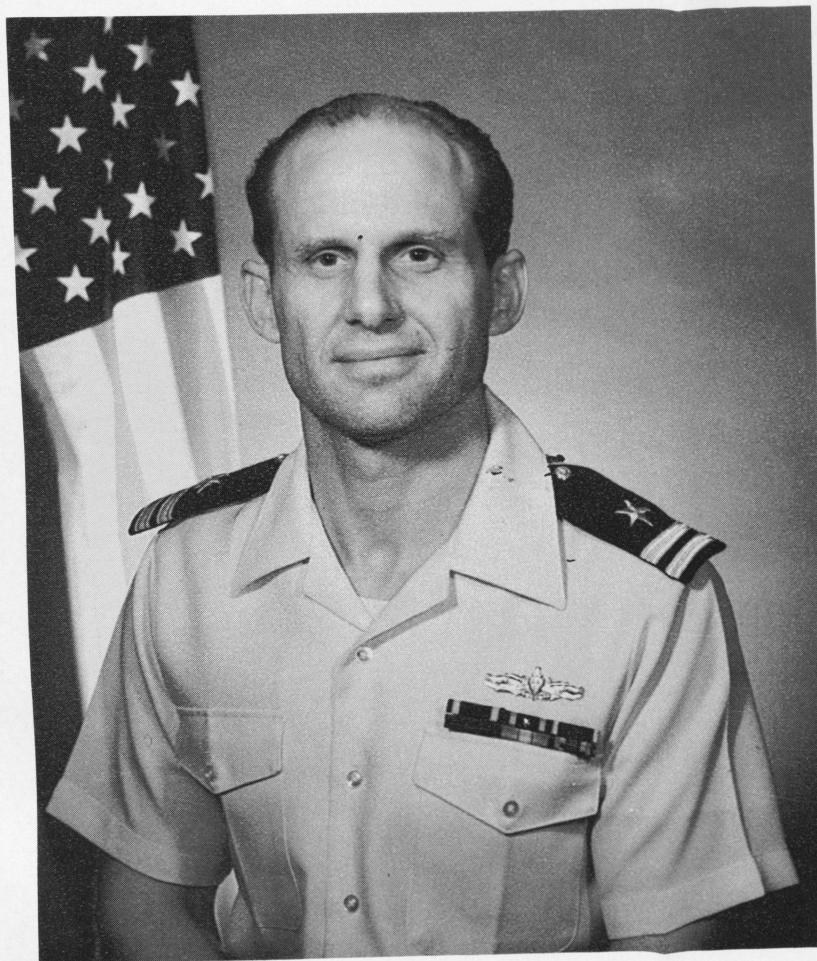


COMBAT SYSTEMS OFFICER



LT J.A. BIERNESSER, USN

CHIEF ENGINEER



LT M.G. BERNARD, USN

OPERATIONS OFFICER



LT B. SMITH, USN

SUPPLY OFFICER

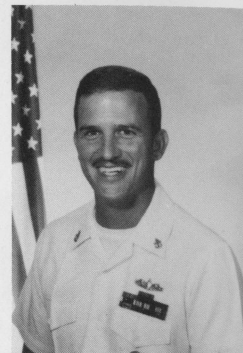


LT G.F. STROH, USN

CS-2 DIVISION

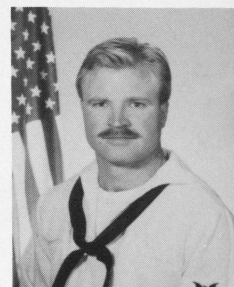
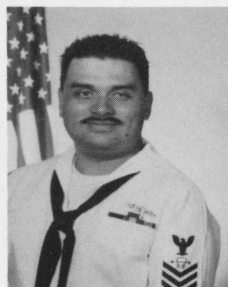
SONOR TECHNICIAN

ST's are responsible for underwater surveillance as well as assistance in safe navigation and search, rescue, and attack operations. They operate and repair sonar equipment and jam enemy sonars. They track underwater objects and repair ASW fire-control equipment and underwater radiotelephones.

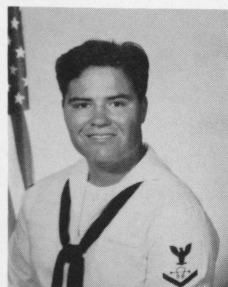


STGCS (SW) R.E.
ARTHUR

STG1 (SW) F.A.
AGUNAT
TM1 R. FRAIJO
STG2 D.A. JANKOWSKI



STG3 R. PORRAS

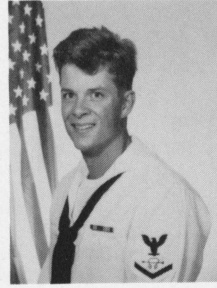
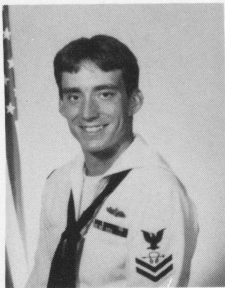


STG3 J.L. STARK

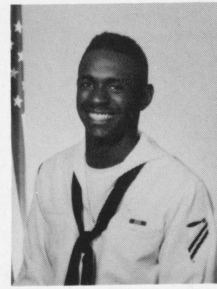
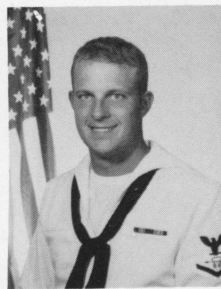


TORPEDOMEN'S MATE

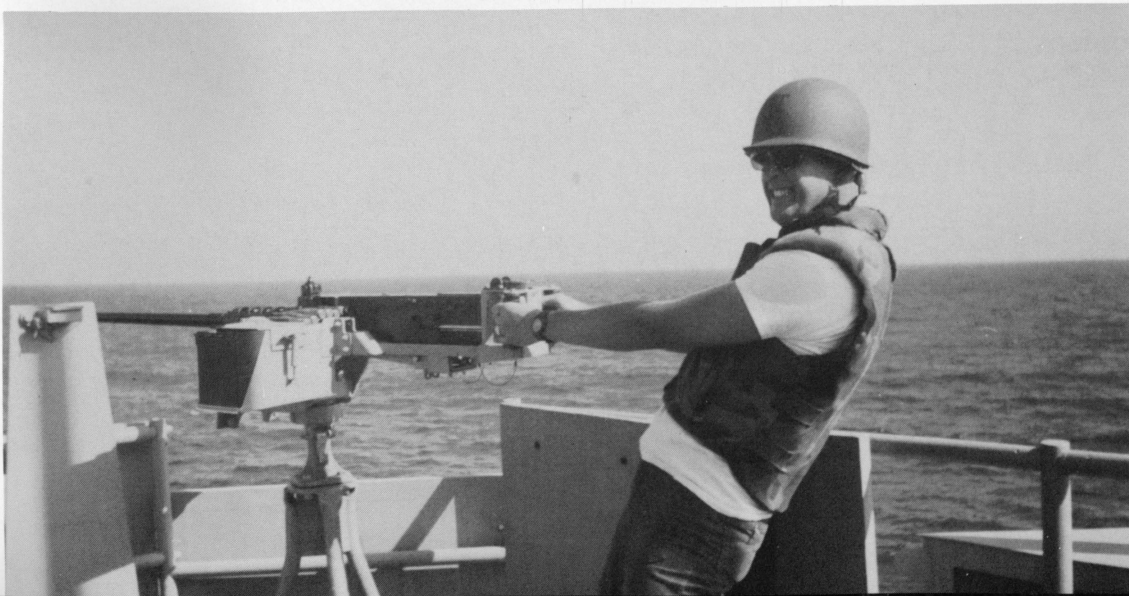
TM's maintain underwater explosive missiles, such as torpedoes and rockets, that are launched from surface ships, submarines, and aircraft. TM's also maintain launching systems for underwater explosives. They are responsible for the shipping and storage of all torpedoes and rockets.



STG2 (SW) R.H.W.
NEWLAND
STG3 S.J. NEER
STG3 J.D. NOBLES



STG3 C.S. VANDEBERG
TMSN J.A. WATSON



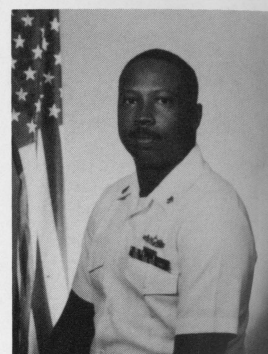
CS-3 DIVISION

Gunner's Mate

Navy GM's operate, maintain, and repair all gunnery equipment, guided-missile launching systems, rocket launchers, guns, gun mounts, turrets, projectors, and associated equipment. They also make detailed casualty analysis and repairs of electrical, electronic, hydraulic and mechanical systems. They test and inspect ammunition, missiles and their ordnance components, as well as train and supervise personnel in the handling and stowage of ammunition, missiles, and assigned ordnance equipment.

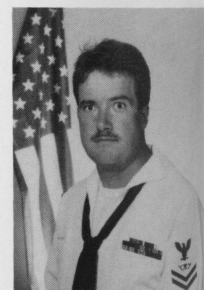
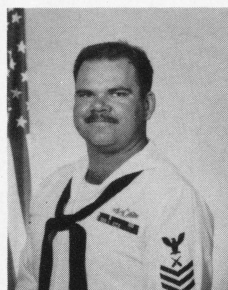
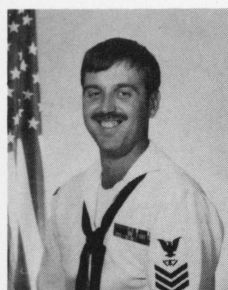


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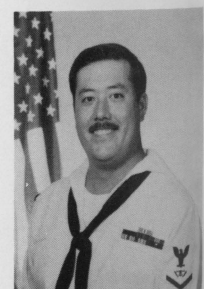
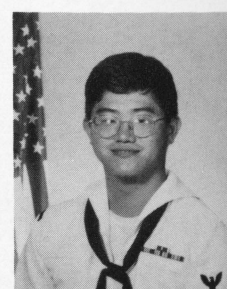
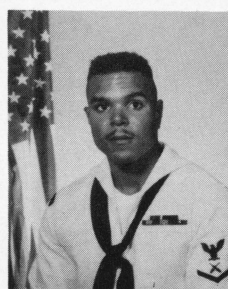


FCC (SW) R. DIXON

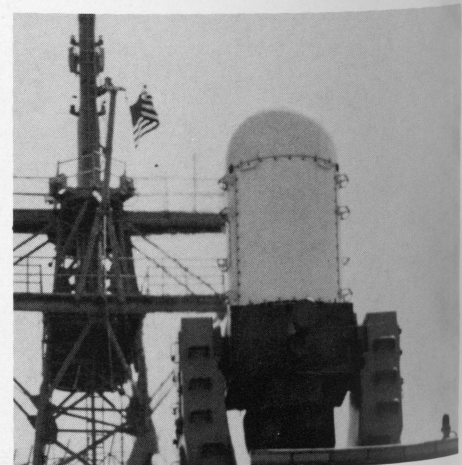
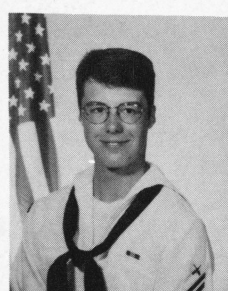
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GMM1 (SW) T.W. MATLOCK
GMG1 K.L. STUDER
FC2 M.D. DUBY

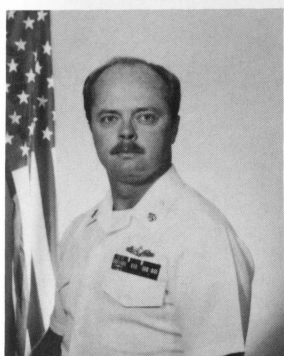


FC2 A. VAN ENGEN
GMG3 M.L. BRAXTON
FC3 A.S. CHUI
FC3 D.L. HIGGINS



GMG3 E. THOMPSON
GMMSN M.R. DIPILLA

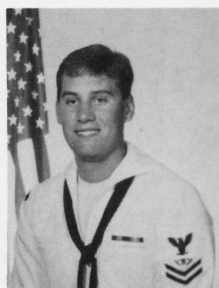
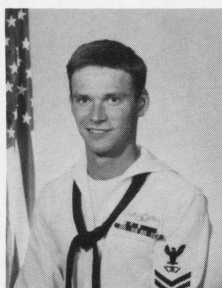




GMC (SW) F.L. SHIREY

Fire Controlman

FC's maintain the control mechanism used in weapons systems on combat ships. Complex electronic, electrical and hydraulic equipment is required to ensure the accuracy of guided-missile and surface gun fire-control systems. FC's are responsible for the operation, routine care, and repair of this equipment, which includes radars, computer weapons-direction equipment, target-designation systems, gyroscopes, and rangefinders.



FC2 S.D. HUNTSMAN
FC2 (SW) J.J. JOSEPH
FC2 M.J. SARGENT
FC2 B.E. SWEENEY

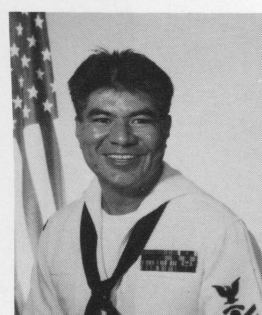
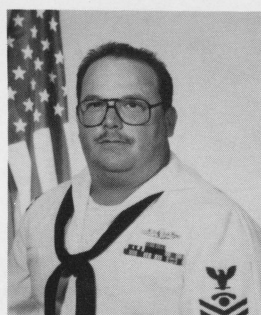
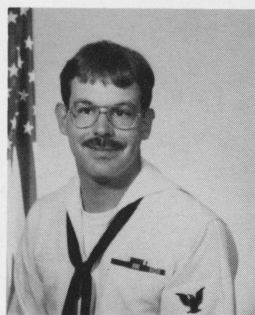


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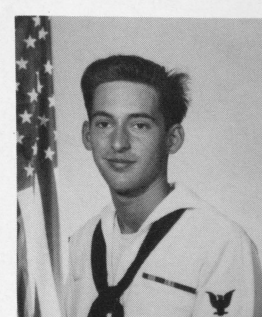
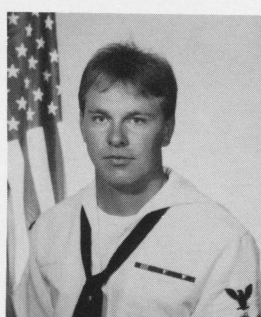
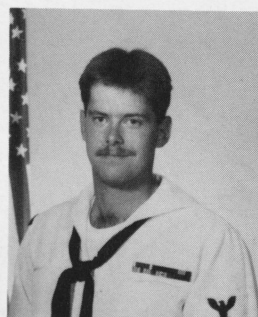
ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN

ET's are responsible for electronic equipment used to send and receive messages, detect enemy planes and ships, and determine target distance. They must maintain, repair, calibrate tune, and adjust all electronic equipment used for communications, detection and tracking, recognition and identification, navigation, and electronic countermeasures.

ET1 J.A. SHERWOOD
IC1 (SW) T.J. THOMAS
IC2 F.J. CARREON



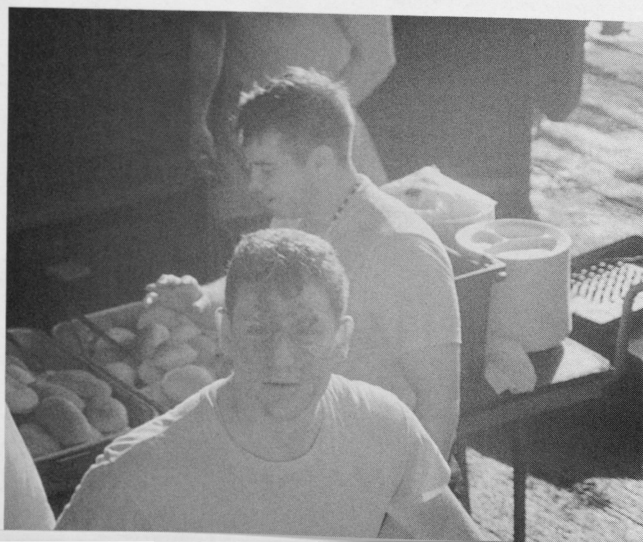
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IC3 M.E. BISHOP



ENS M. ROTH



ETC (SW) L.J. SLABBY

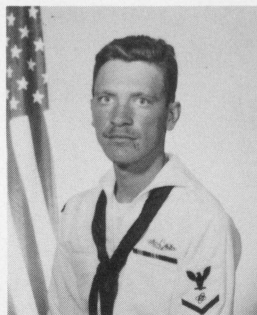
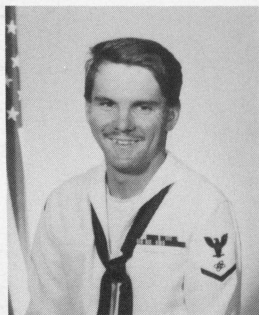
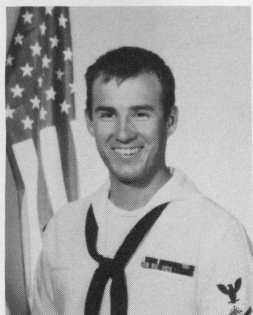


Hungry?



INTERIOR COMMUNICATION ELECTRICIAN

IC's operate and repair electronic devices used in a ship's interior communications systems, SITE TV systems, public address systems, electronic megaphones, and other announcing equipment, as well as gyrocompass systems.

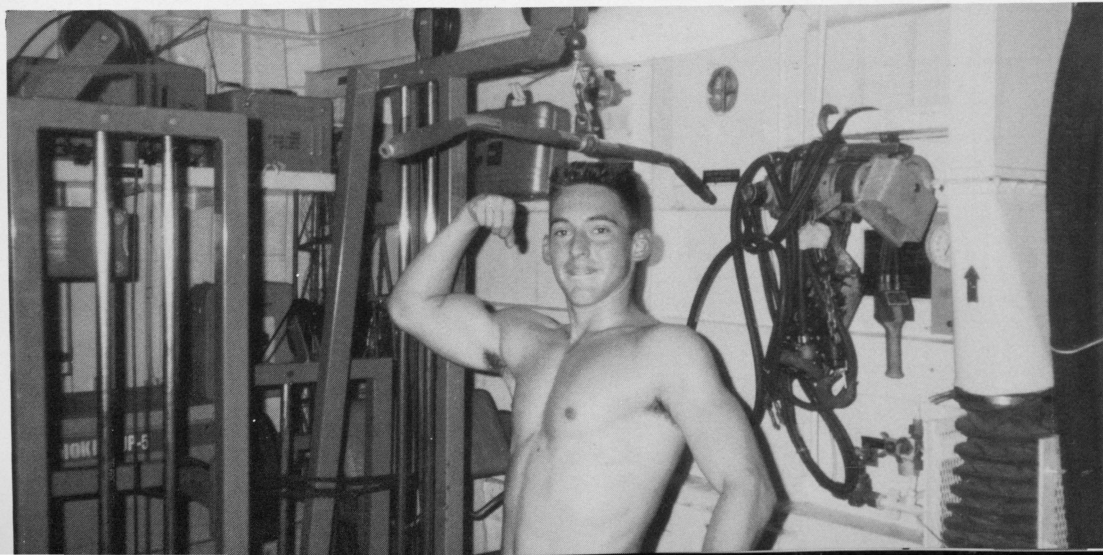


DS3 D.S. COOK
ET3 C.W. GIBBONS
ET3 (SW) R.M. OVERTON

Da, I'm here to "Pump you up"!

DATA SYSTEMS TECHNICIAN

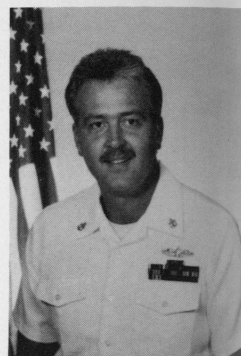
DS's are electronic technicians who specialize in computer systems, including digital computers, video processors, tape units, buffers, key sets, digital display equipment, data-link terminal sets, and related equipment. They clean, maintain, lubricate, and adjust equipment. They run operational tests, diagnose problems, make routine repairs, and evaluate newly installed parts and system units.



E-1 DIVISION

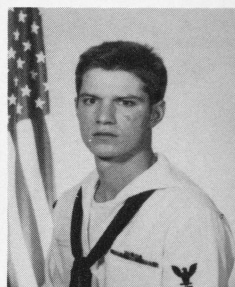
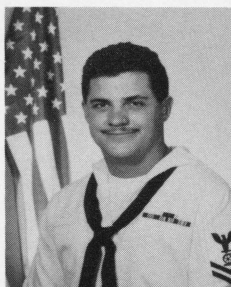
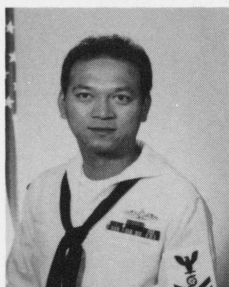
GAS TURBINE SYSTEM TECHNICIAN

GS's operate, repair, and maintain gas turbine engines, Main Propulsion machinery (including main reduction gears, shafting, and controllable pitch propellers), assigned auxiliary equipment, propulsion control systems, electrical and electronic circuitry up to printed circuit modules, and alarm and warning circuitry. They perform administrative tasks related to gas-turbine propulsion-system operation and maintenance.

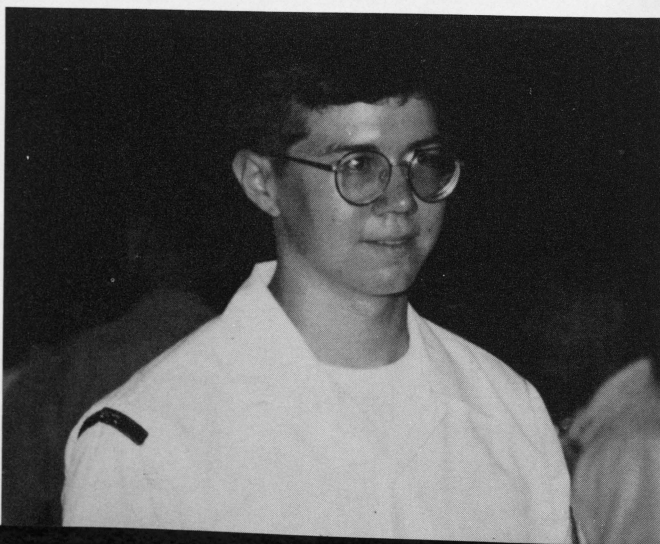


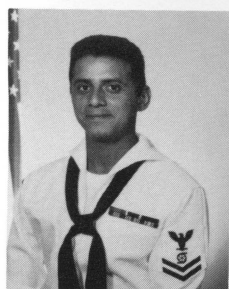
GSMC (SW)
BRENEGAN

GSM1 (SW)
ORTIGUERRA
GSM2 T.
HERNANDEZ
GSE2 R. HUPALO
GSM2 G.G.
MAGANA



GSE3 J.L. FARROW
GSEFN J.W.
PERACCHI
GSMFA J.A.
BAUTISTA
FA M. GARCIA





GSM2 L. MENDEZ
GSM2 M. NAVARRO
GSM2 D. REMONDI
GSM3 SYR. ELZY

All dressed up and no place to go!



E-2 DIVISION

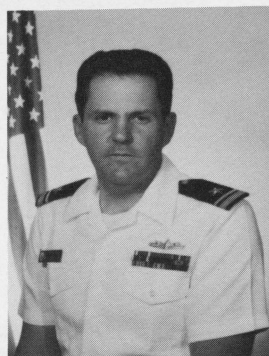
ENGINEMAN

Internal combustion engines, either diesel or gasoline, must be kept in good order; this is the responsibility of EN's. They are also responsible for the maintenance of refrigeration, air-conditioning, and distilling-plant, engines and air compressors, as well as maintaining the ship's motor whaleboat.

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BUSSETT
EN2 (SW) K. BENNETT
EN3 L.E. FARK



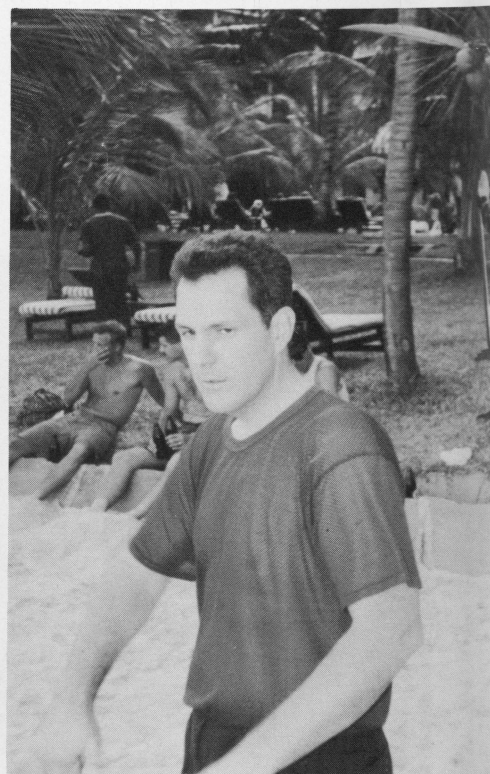
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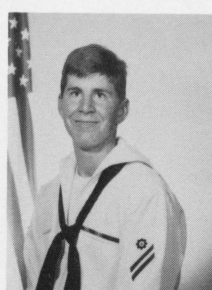
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VANWEY



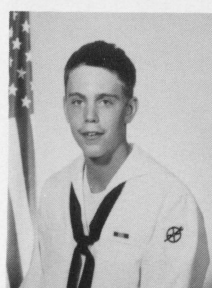
"Yeah! I'm Bad . . . (sort of)"



"Hmm . . . If I were to swim in that direction for two days . . . ?"



EN3 B.A. HAUN
EN3 R.W. NILES
ENFN W.L. SELMAN



FN N.R. AVERY
FA E.R. KNIGHT



"BEWARE the Aveny
Shark!"

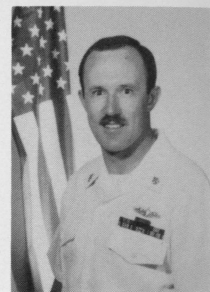
E-3 DIVISION

DAMAGE CONTROLMAN

DC's perform the work necessary for damage control, ship stability, firefighting, and chemical, biological and radiological (CBR) warfare defense. They instruct personnel in damage control and CBR defense, and repair damage-control equipment and systems.

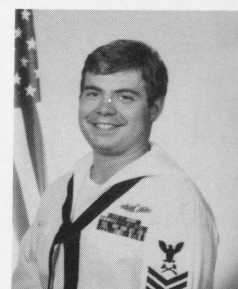
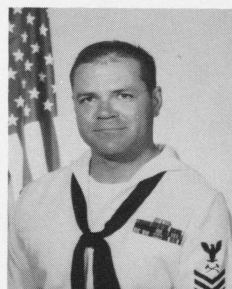


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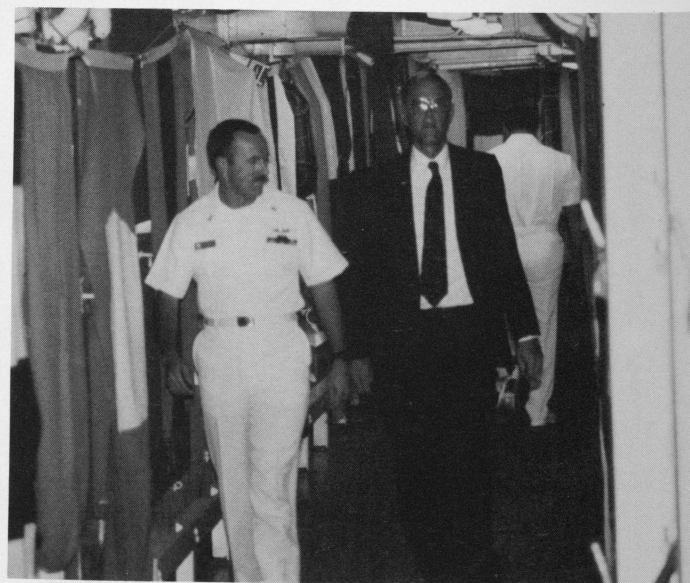
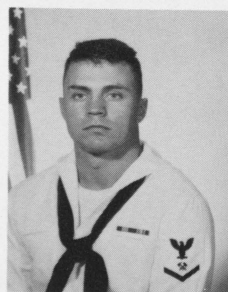


DCC (SW) J.K.
JESTER

HT1 D.K. METZNER
DC1 R. MUSE
DC1 (SW) S.A. SHORE



HT3 V.D. CAMPBELL

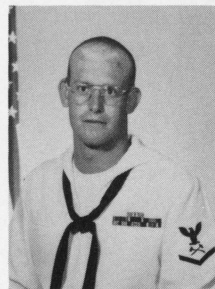
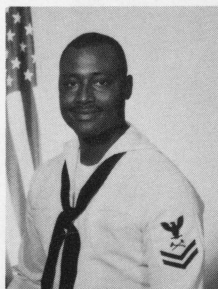
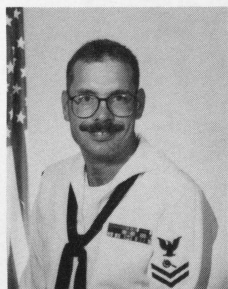


HULL MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

HT's are responsible for maintaining ships' hulls, fittings, piping systems, and machinery. They install and maintain shipboard and shore based plumbing and piping systems. They also look after a vessel's safety and survival equipment and perform many tasks related to damage control.

MACHINERY REPAIRMAN

MR's are skilled machine-tool operators. They make replacement parts and repair or overhaul a ship engine's auxiliary equipment, such as evaporators, air compressors, and pumps. They repair deck equipment, including winches and hoists, condensers, and heat-exchange devices. Shipboard MR's frequently operate main propulsion machinery in addition to performing machine shop and repair duties.



MR2 C.G. McHENDRY
DC2 L.S. JACKSON
DC3 B.M. BOX



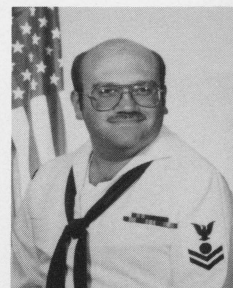
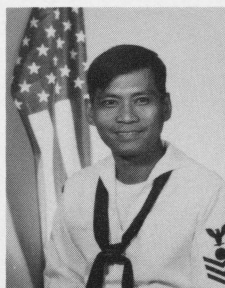
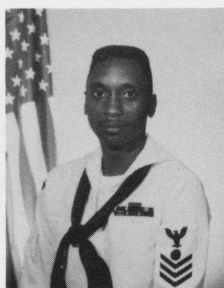
DC3 M.T. KLINK

E-4 DIVISION

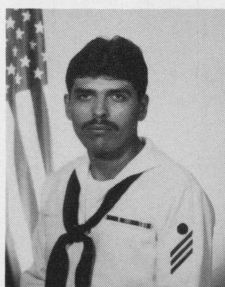
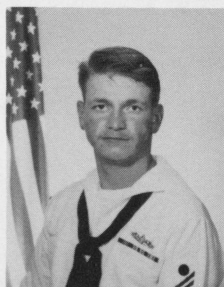
ELECTRICIAN'S MATE

The operation and repair of a ship's or station's electrical power plant and electrical equipment is the responsibility of EM's. They also maintain and repair power and lighting circuits, distribution switchboards, generators, motors and other electrical equipment.

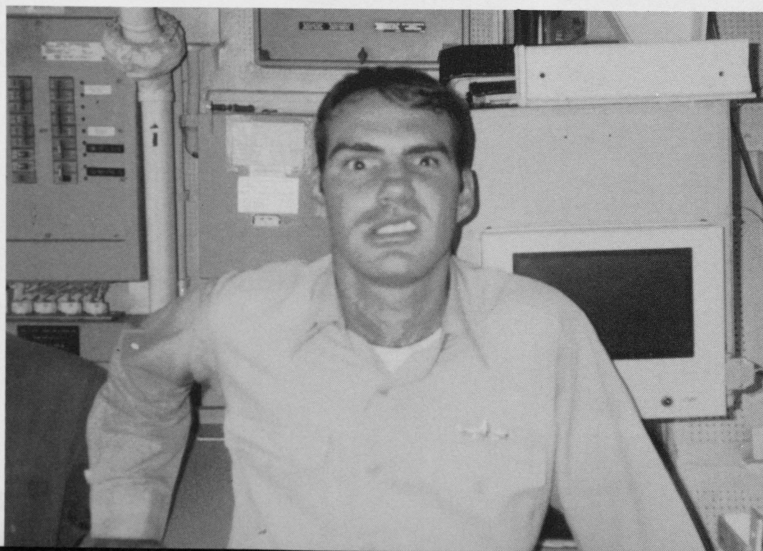
EM1 K.K. CARNEGIE
EM1 (SW) C. FLORES
EM2 S. GOEDELMAANN



EM3 (SW) M.W. DONNELLY
EMFN A.J. FARMER



"Say what do you mean?!"



LTJG A.J. GAREFFA



EMC (SW) A.M. ULLOA

"They got bigger cactus than Texas!"





"We kicked butt!"

The latest in DCA fashions.



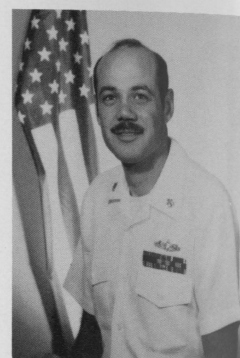
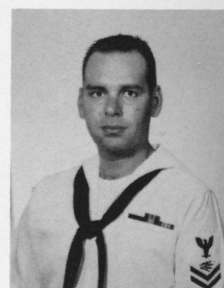
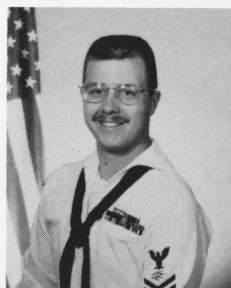
Firefighting and damage control are always dangerous. Many long hours were spent training to fight fires and survive hazardous environments during the cruise. Through diligent and arduous training, the lives of the crew were in good hands.

OC DIVISION

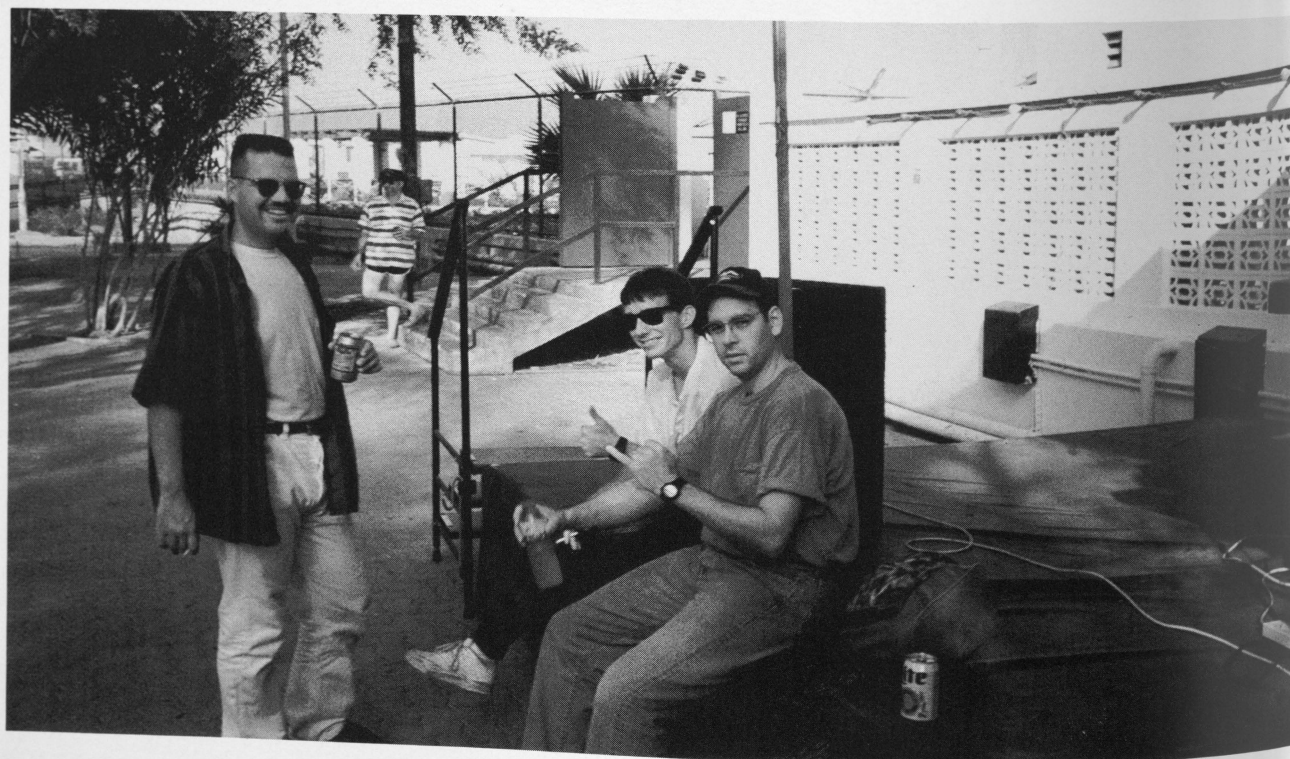
RADIOMAN

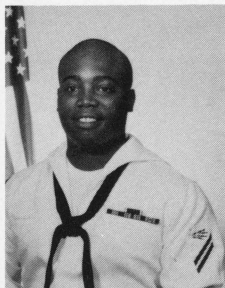
Naval activities often involve people working at many different locations on land and at sea, and RM's operate the radio communications systems that make such complex teamwork possible. RM's operate radiotelephones and radioteletypes, prepare messages for international and domestic commercial telegraph, and send and receive messages via the Navy system.

RM1 (AW) T.L. MATHIESON
RM2 T.R. GRUCHALLA
RM2 D.H. SAWYERS
RM3 S.T. MARTIN



RMC (SW) A. ROSKER





RM3 B.E. RAMIREZ
RMSN E.J. JACKSON
RMSN T.R. PEDERSEN
RMSA C.R. WALKER

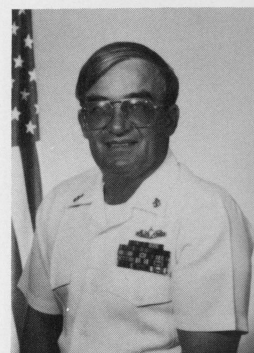
OD DIVISION

BOATSWAIN'S MATE

BM's are expert seamen who maintain the ship, serve as steersmen, take command of tugs and other small craft, serve as gun captains, look after rigging, paint, handle and care for deck equipment, and serve on working parties and damage-control teams. BM's in upper grades train and supervise others in caring for and handling deck equipment and small boats.

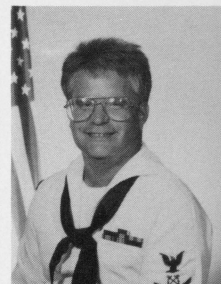
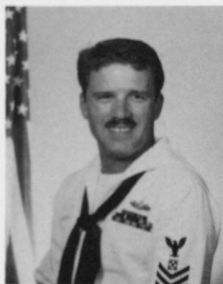


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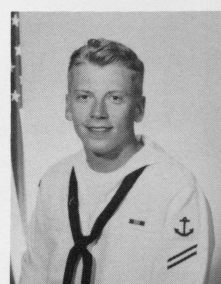
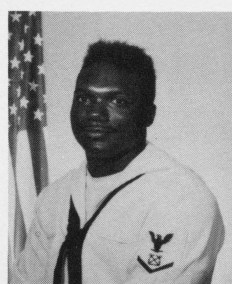
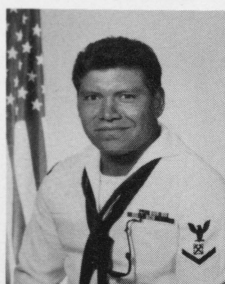


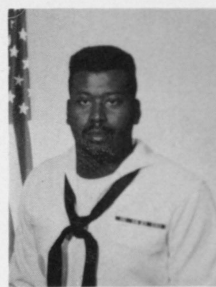
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WALTERS

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McFARLANE
BM1 (SW) G.P.
SOLIMAN
BM2 M.W. COLVIN
BM2 M.P. SULLIVAN

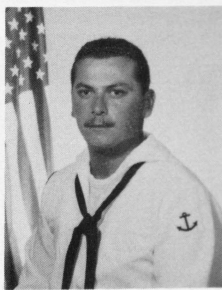


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BM3 M.J. SANCHEZ
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SN C.E. BROWN

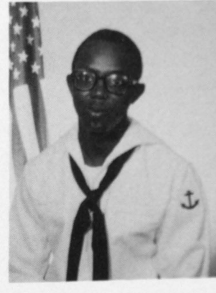
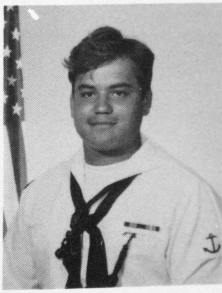
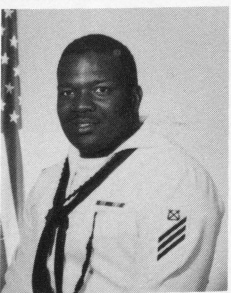
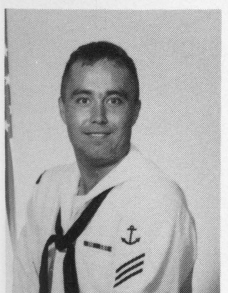




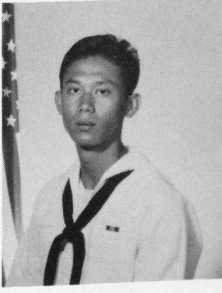
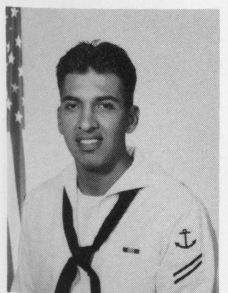
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SN K.D. ROWLAND

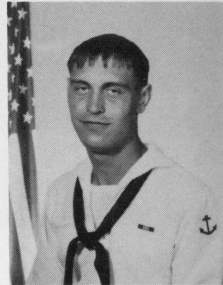
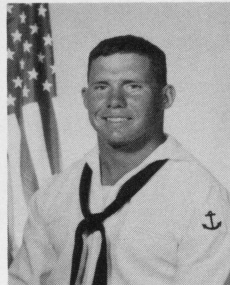


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SN R.G. SIMMONS
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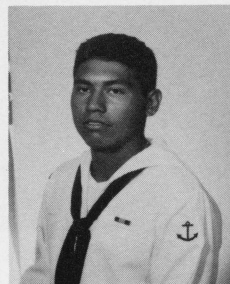
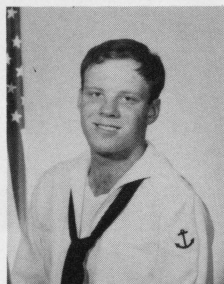
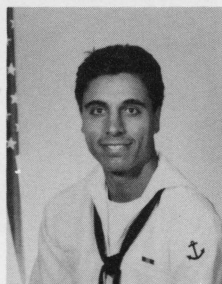


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SA S. MOY
SA J.M. SINGLETON

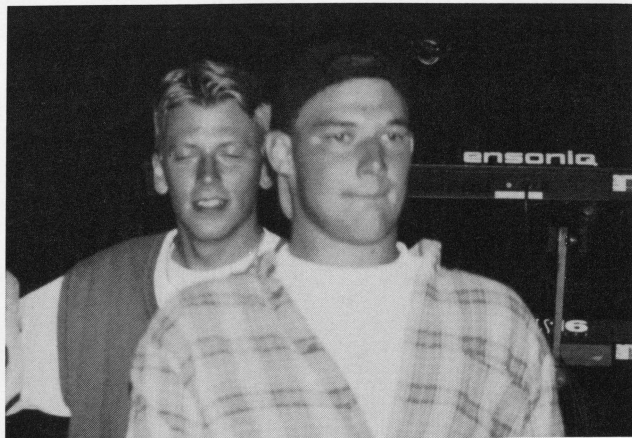
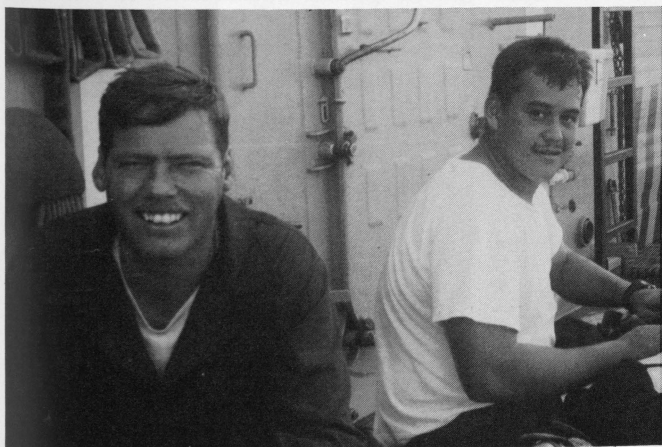
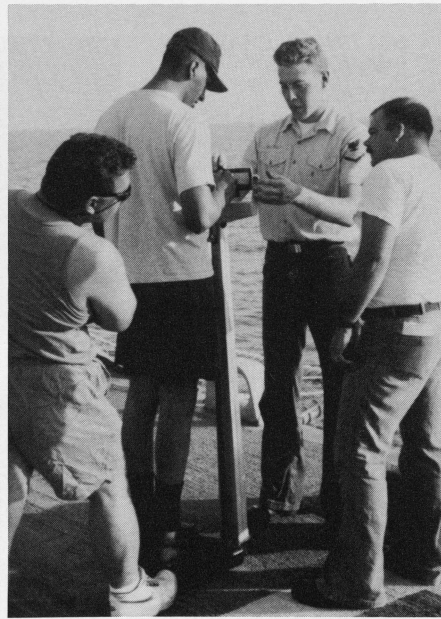
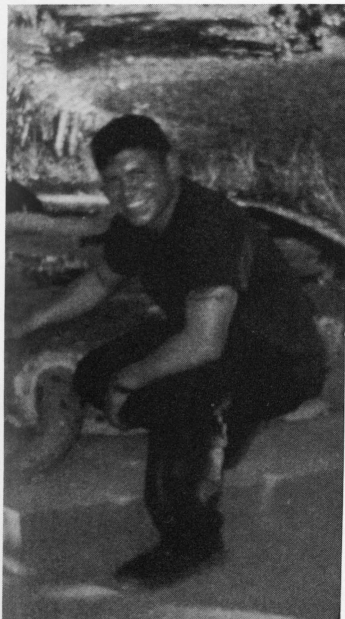
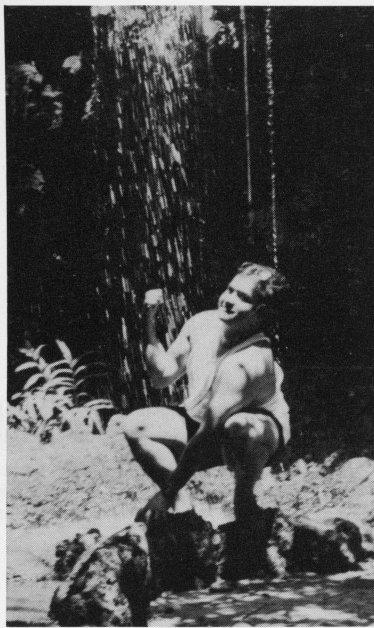
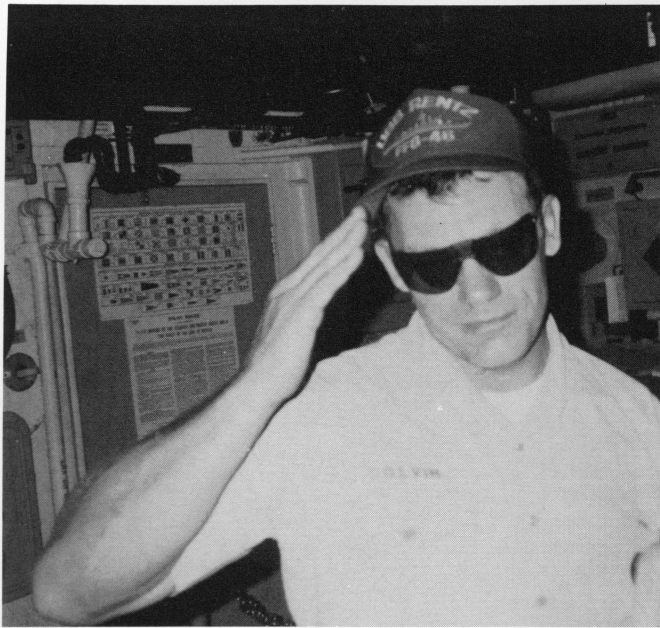
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BMCS WALTERS "SAYS PAT YOUR HEAD"

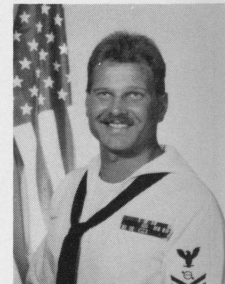
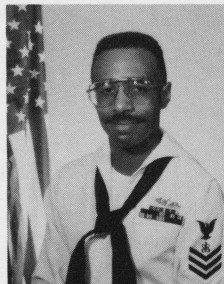
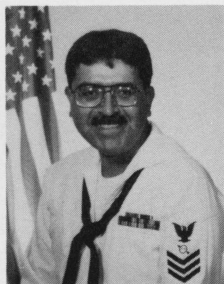


OS's operate radar, navigation, and communications equipment in a ship's combat-information center or on the bridge. They detect and track ships, planes, and missiles. They operate and maintain IFF (identification friend or foe) systems, ECM electronic countermeasures equipment, and radiotelephones. OS's also work with search-and-rescue teams.

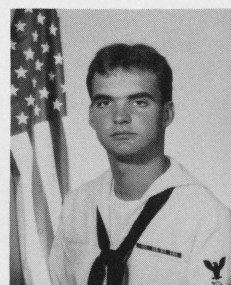
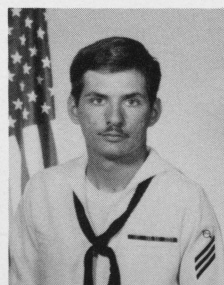
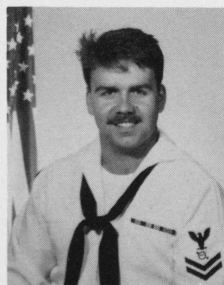


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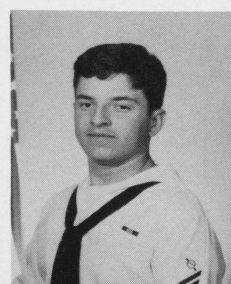
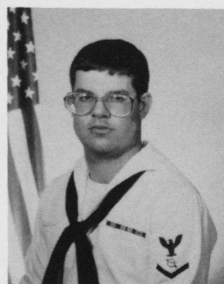
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EW1 (SW) G.
MCCASLIN
OS1 J.M. WILLIAMS

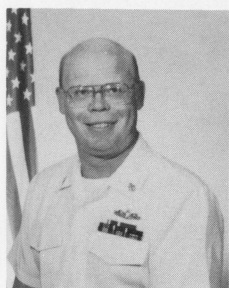


OS2 J.L. NETTLE
OS3 J.F. BRADY
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OS3 C.A. WOODS
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OSSN C.E. ESPINOSA

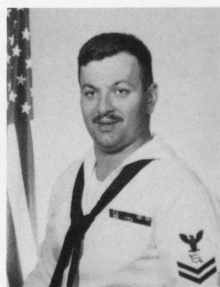
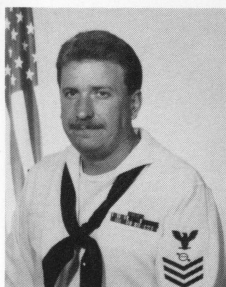




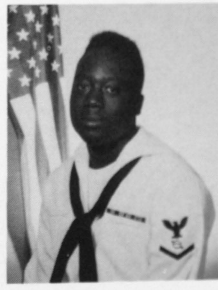
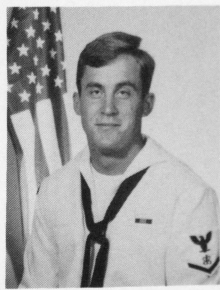
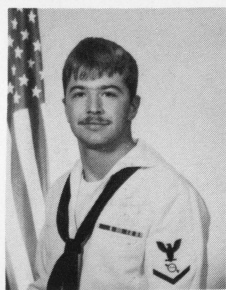
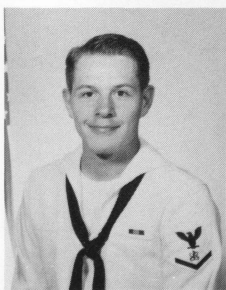
OSC (SW) T.L.
GJERDE

ELECTRONICS WARFARE TECHNICIAN

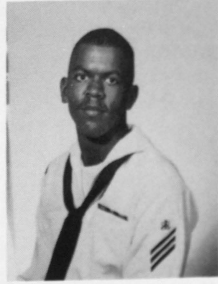
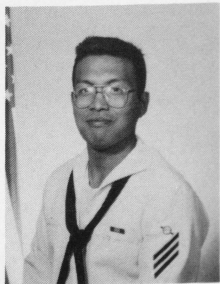
EW's operate and maintain electronic equipment used in navigation, target detection and location, and the prevention of electronic spying by enemies. They interpret incoming electronic signals to determine their source. EW's are advanced electronic technicians who do wiring and circuit testing and repair.



OS1 (SW) M.H. BIRD
OS1 (SW) R.M.
SANCHEZ
OS2 T.M. HANOLD
OS2 R.G. KENLEY



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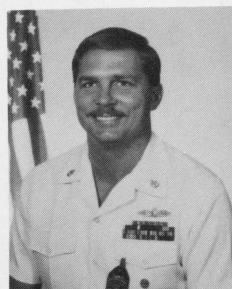


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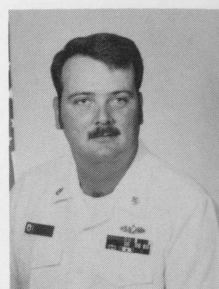
ON DIVISION

PERSONNELMAN

PN's provide enlisted personnel with information and counseling about Navy jobs, opportunities for general education and training. The PN's onboard RENTZ insured that the advancement test was taken by qualified personnel and that our service records were up to date. Without them we wouldn't know when it was time to go home.

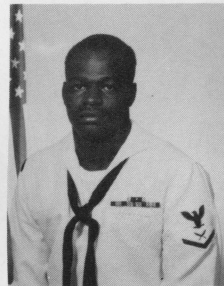


QMC (SW) D.
ZEGERS

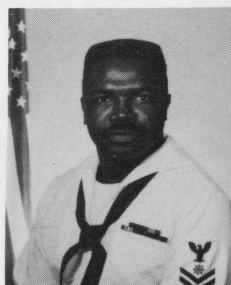
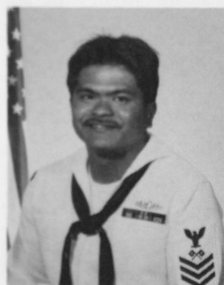


STGC (SW) J.N.
VANAUSDALL

PN1 R.A. MCCONNELL
YN1 D. WILLIAMS
PN3 A.L. CRESPO
YN3 E.L. MASSEY



SM1 V. QUIOCHO
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QM2 J.L. WILSON
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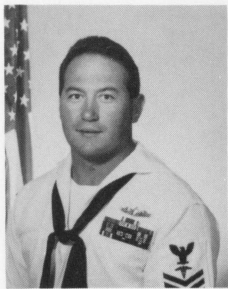


SIGNALMAN

SM's serve as lookouts and, using visual signals and voice radios, alert the ship of possible dangers. They send and receive messages by flag signals or flashing lights. They stand watches on the signal bridge, encode and decode messages.

YEOMAN

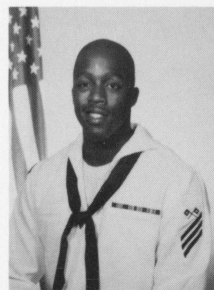
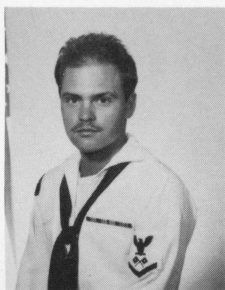
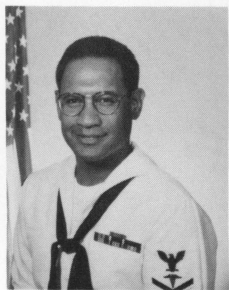
YN's perform secretarial and clerical work. They deal with visitors, telephone calls, and incoming mail. They organize files and operate duplicating equipment, and they order and distribute supplies.



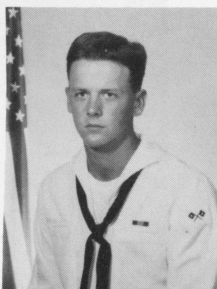
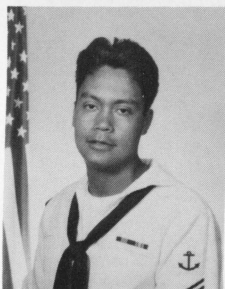
HM1 (SW)
MCCARTY

HOSPITAL CORPSMAN

HM's assist medical professionals in providing health care to service people and their families. They act in a variety of positions in the medical field. Onboard they go by the name "DOC" and are always ready to check you out no matter what time of day. They are what keep us going when the "BUG" hits us.



HME E.F. FERNANDEZ
SM3 R. SARGINSON
QM3 A. SCORSE
SMSN E.D. BURNS



QMSN R.F.
LORENZANA
SMSR J. LEVEILLE
QMSR E.A. MATURI

QUARTERMASTER

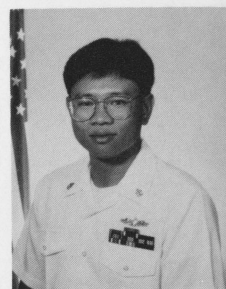
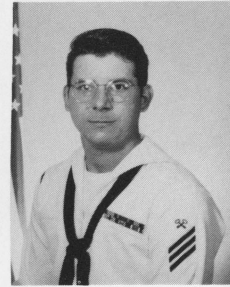
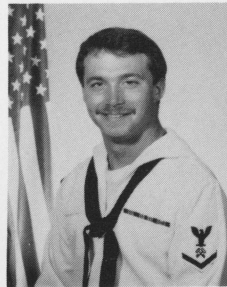
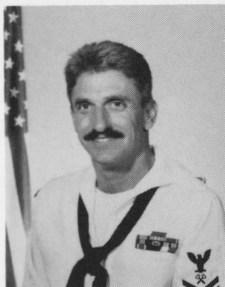
Ship safety, skillful navigation, constant vigilance for ships and natural obstacles, and reliable communications with other vessels and shore stations are the responsibilities of quartermasters.

S-1 DIVISION

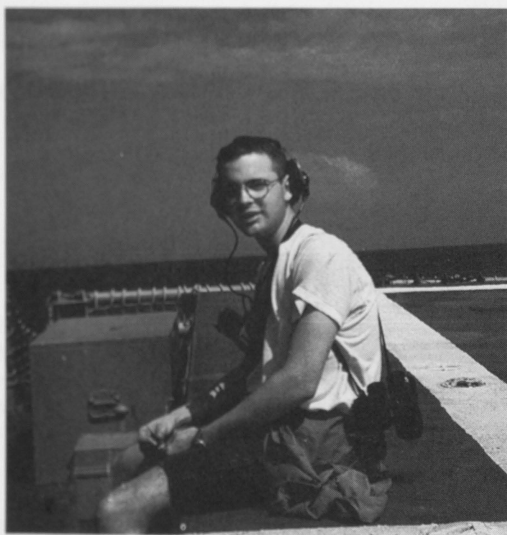
STOREKEEPER

SK's are the accountants and record keepers for all part transactions that transpire on board. Processing hundreds of documents daily, this professional team was just as responsible for Rentz's material readiness as any crew member who actually performed maintenance on the equipment.

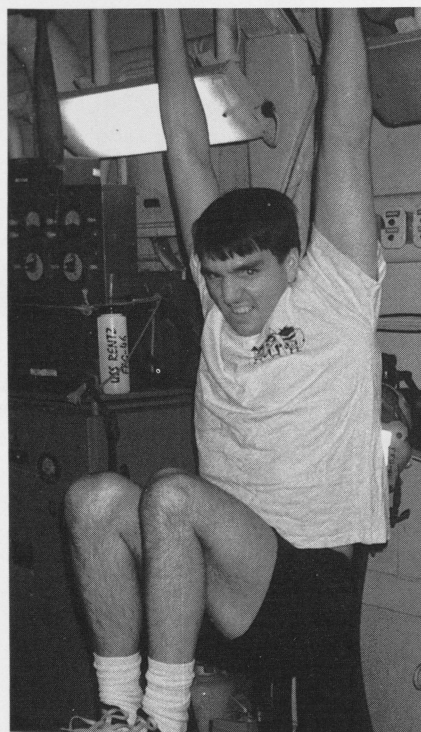
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SK1 ALFARANO
SK3 GILLARD
SKSN HASSELBERG



SKC (SW)
MAGTOTO

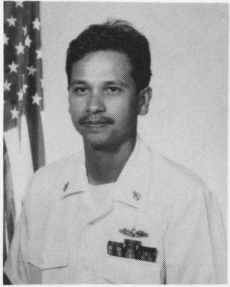


"Just chill'n!"
"Who me?"



SKSN ROWLAND
LT. STROH "Hangin'
Around."
"Look at me" SKSN
ROWLAND

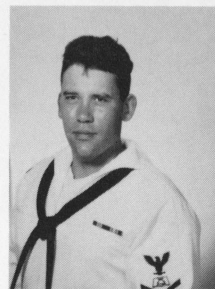
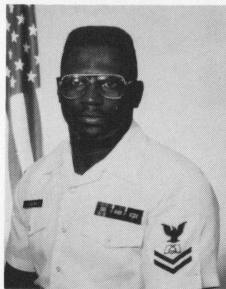
S-2 DIVISION



MSCS (SW) MILAR

MESS MANAGEMENT SPECIALISTS

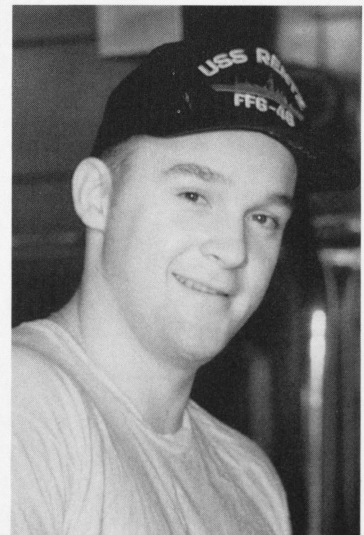
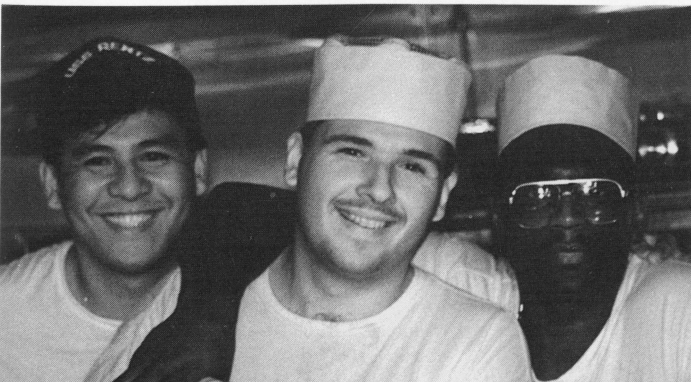
Both ashore and afloat, MS's are responsible for proper administration, procurement, storage evolutions associated with provisions. In addition, they are charged with maintenance of proper level of food service sanitation and positive customer service which play a key role in sustaining high crew morale.



MS1 WOLGAMOTT
MS2 COBURN
MS2 LOMBARDI
MS3 GILLARD



MS3 TALLA
MSSN ROYER
MSSN QUINTANA

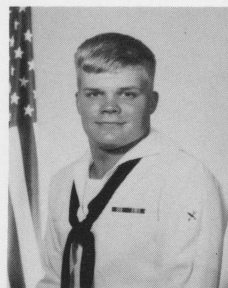


S-3 DIVISION

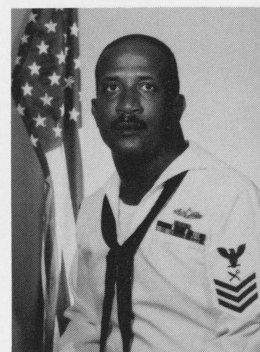
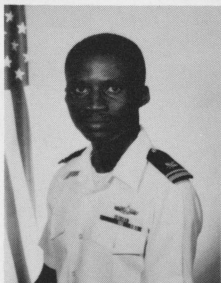
SHIP'S SERVICEMAN

Both ashore and afloat, SH's manage barbershops, tailor shops, uniform stores, laundries, dry cleaning plants, and cobbler shops. They serve as clerks in exchanges, soda fountains, gas stations, warehouses, and commissary stores.

SH1 R.B. JIMENEZ
SHSN C.K. BRADFORD
SHSN J.E. PIETILA



SHSR R.S. VEAL
LTJG B.D. KNOX



SH1 (SW) R.B.
ARMSTEAD

S-4 DIVISION

DISBURSING CLERK

DK's maintain the financial records of Navy personnel. They prepare payrolls, determine transportation entitlements, compute travel allowances, and process claims for reimbursement of travel expenses. DK's also process vouchers for receiving and spending public money and make sure accounting data are accurate, they maintain fiscal records and prepare financial reports and returns.



DK2 G. CRICKON
PC3 T.A. ZARATE

POSTAL CLERK

The Navy operates a large postal system manned by Navy PC's, who have much the same duties as their civilian counterparts. PC's collect postage due mail, prepare customs declaration, collect outgoing mail, cancel stamps, and send the mail on it's way. They also perform a variety of record keeping and reporting duties, including maintenance of an up-to-date directory service and locator file.

AIRDET

AIRDET DIVISION

The final mixture of men that comprise this division is what it takes to keep the SH-60B flying and ready for action. The crew worked round the clock in various shifts to support the RENTZ'S scheduled operations. In addition they acted as a tow truck, bring the ship fuel via bladders suspended by a cable. They also did flight ops off the coast of SOMALIA putting life and limb on the line for the country.



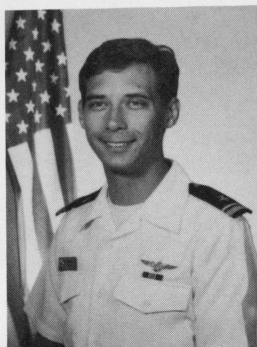
LCDR J.D. LONG



LCDR B.K. BUTLER



LT M.A. JORDAN



LTjg K.R. GATZMEYER

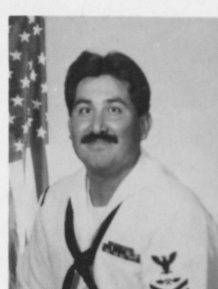
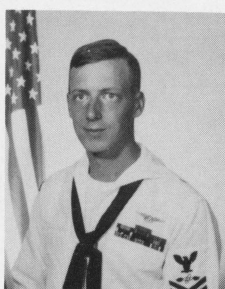


LTjg R.L. WALLIS

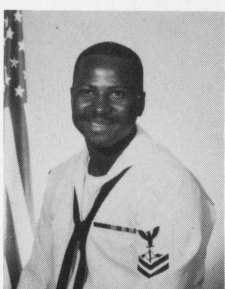
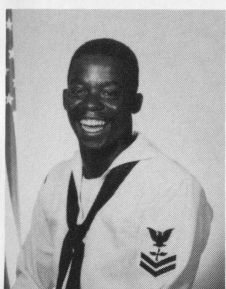


AMCS B.M. GAPASIN

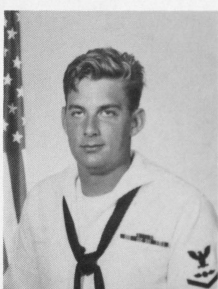




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AT1 (AW) J.R. MERSON
AE1 (AW) D.L. LAMB
AMS1 R.R. MARTINEZ



AD2 T.L. ANDERSON
AZ2 D.L. GIVENS
AMH2 B.J. WILLIAMS
AW3 M.R. RIOLLANO



AD3 S.C. JAYMALIN
AE3 B.K. HALL
ATAA M.J. ENCINAS



THE CREW AND THEIR BIRD



AIRDET IN ACTION

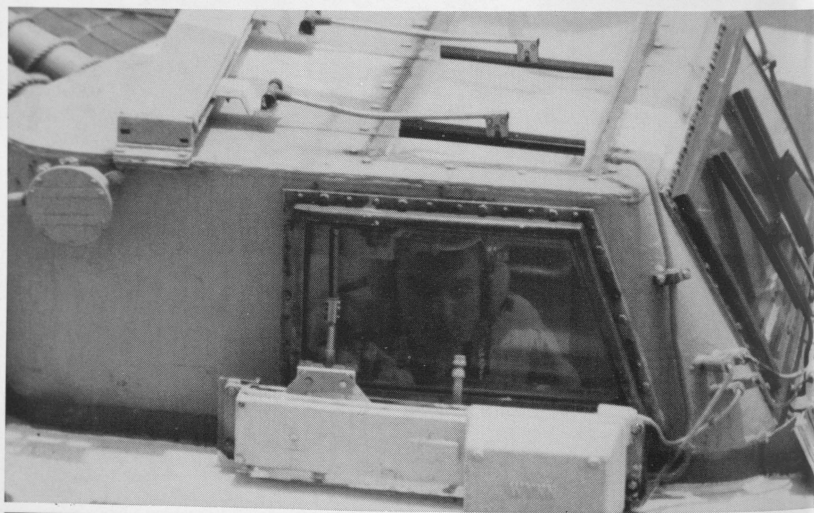
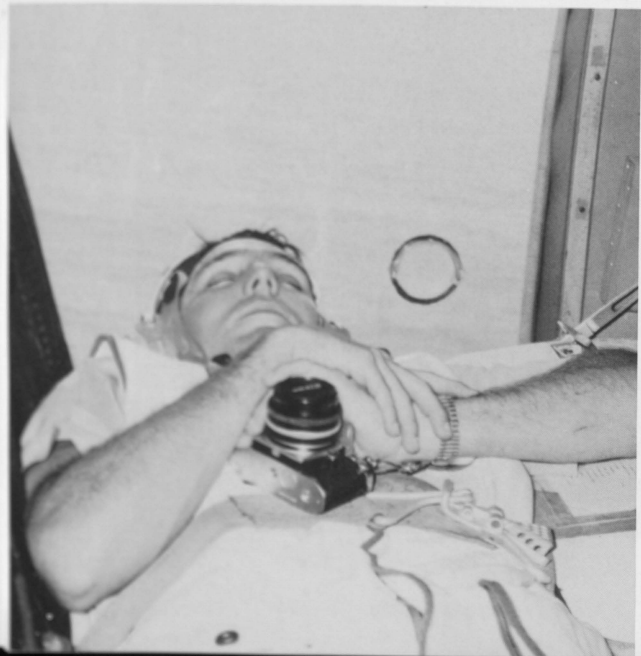


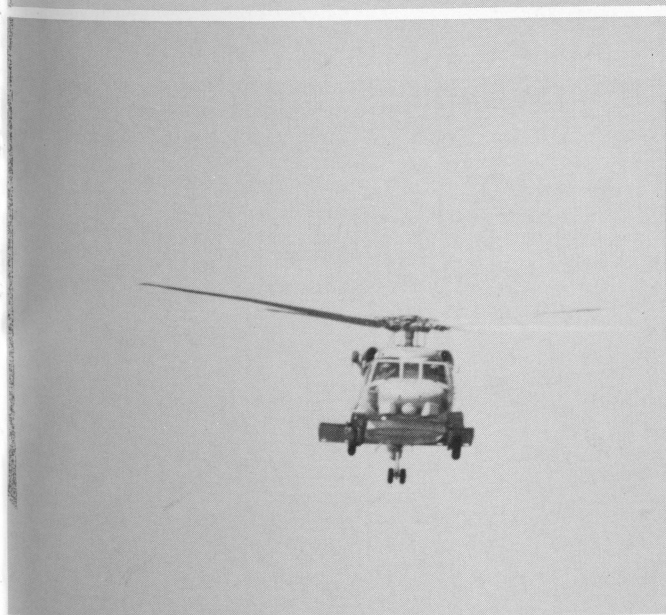
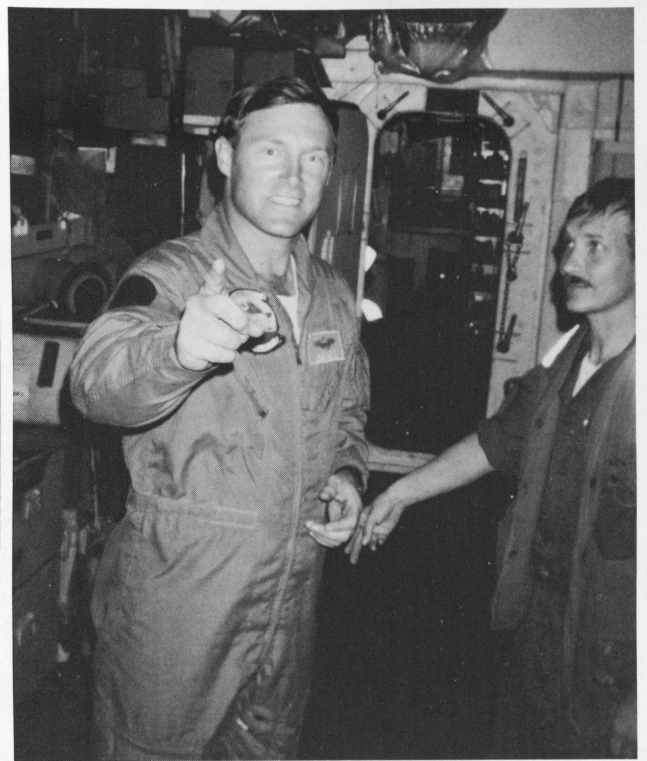
SABER HAWK 71

GAS PACK

YES GENTLEMEN, MAIL

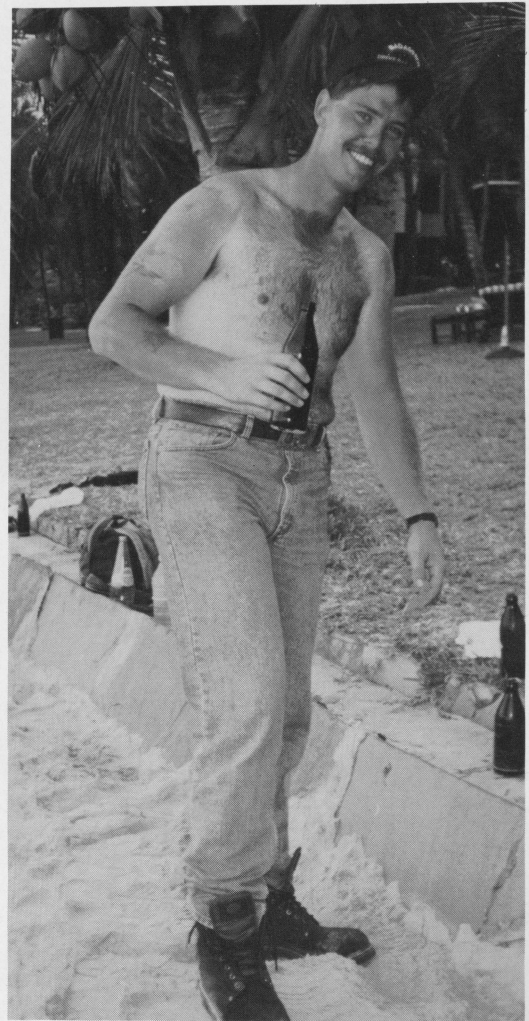
OK GUYS, IT'S NOT FUNNY, NOW
LET ME OUT! PLEASE...



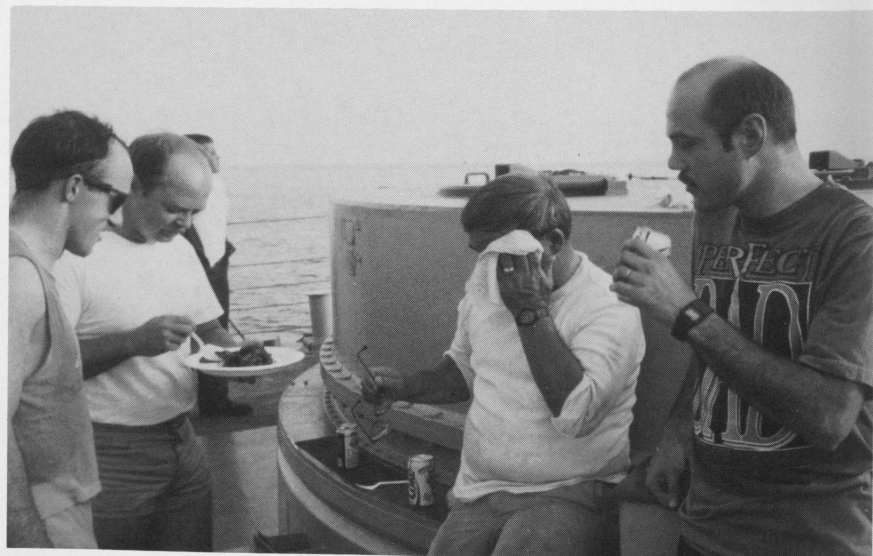


THE CREW

RENTZ was blessed to deploy with this crew; without this spirited bunch, she would be just a heap of iron and aluminum. The deployment, at times, seemed as though it was powered by Duracell batteries (it kept going and going and . . .) and then there were other times that it seemed as though time just slipped away. To quote Charles Dickens, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of darkness, it was the season of light, it was the Spring of hope, it was the Winter of despair, we had everything before us, we had nothing before us, we were all going direct to heaven, we were all going direct the other way!"



"The Rack Pack."



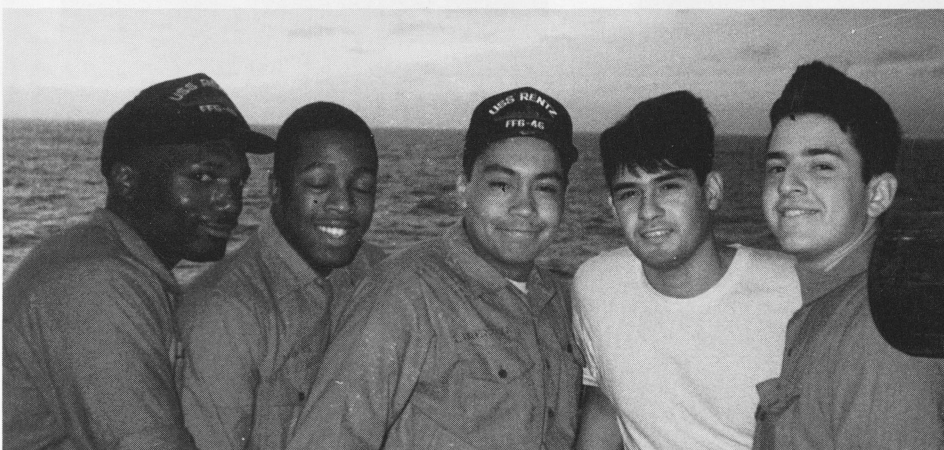


"I can walk a straight line, really!"

"Between Frank and Al, the glare is killing me!"

"Makin' some thunder in the land Down Under!"

"DA BOYZ!"



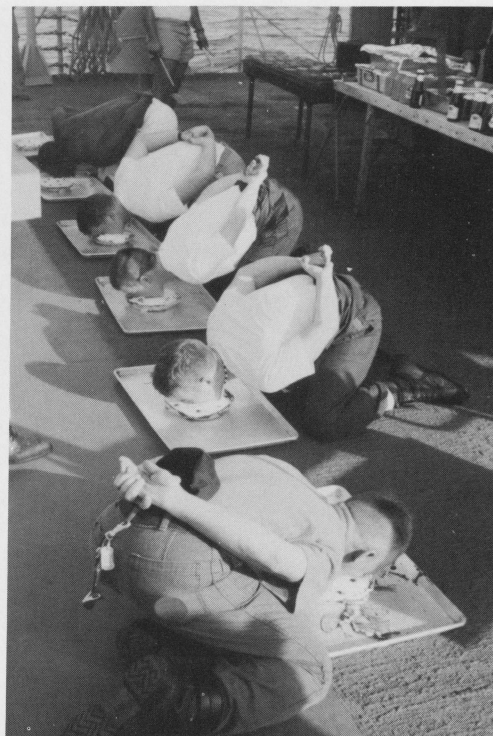
"The Dirty Half-Dozen!"

"Fantail Fun!"

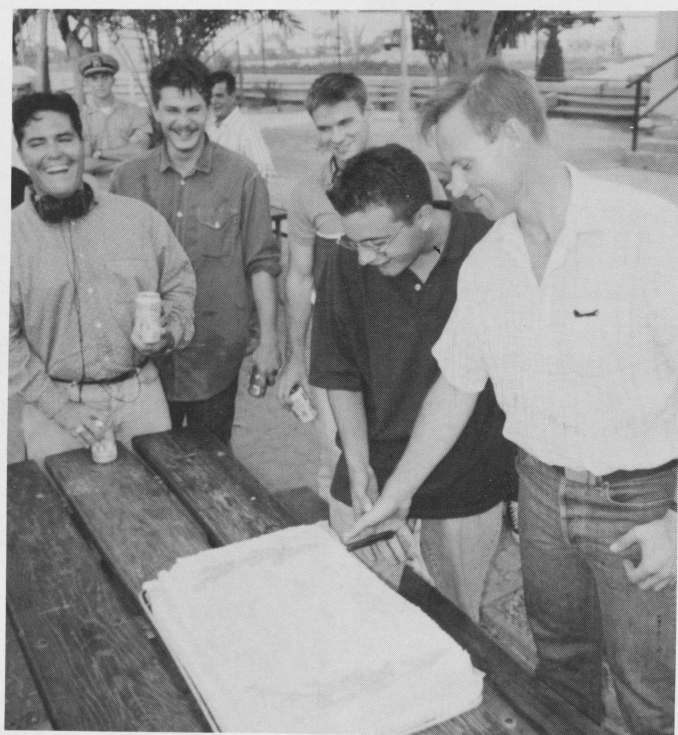




"ON THREE BREAK. READY, 1,2,3, BREAK"



"IS THIS HEAVEN?"



RENTZ OLDEST AND YOUNGEST CUT THE CAKE

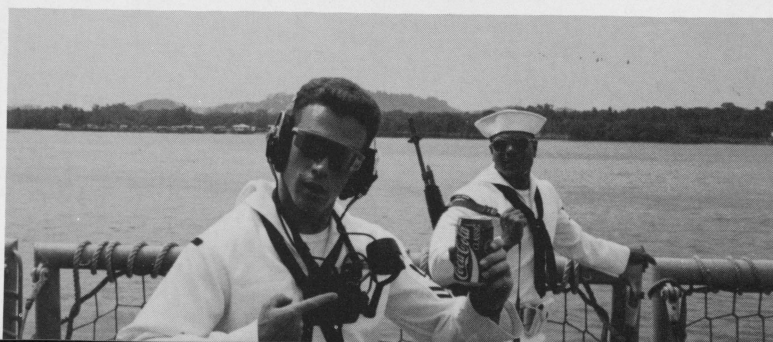


"IT ONLY SMELLS WHEN I GO LIKE THIS, SEE?"



THREE KHAKI "BUMPS-ON-A-LOG".

"COKE ADDS LIFE TO . . . SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL."

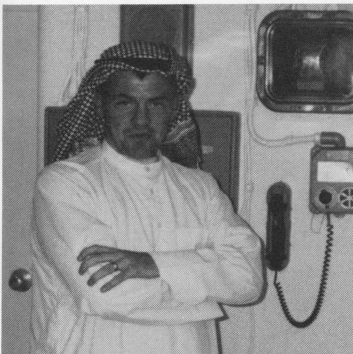




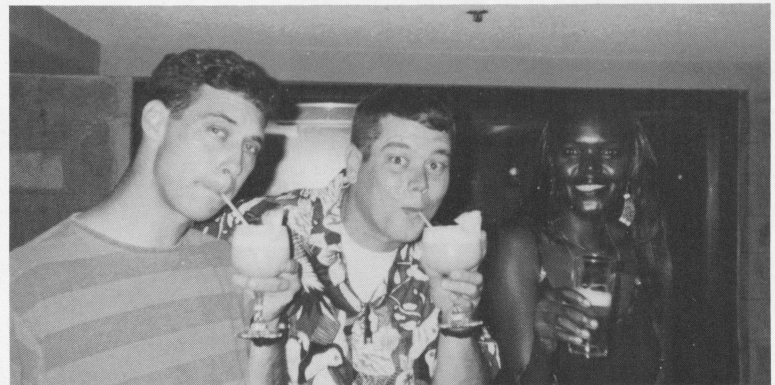
"AND THEN ALONG COME SHIREY. SUNG TO THE TUNE 'ALONG COMES MARY' BE THE ASSOCIATION."



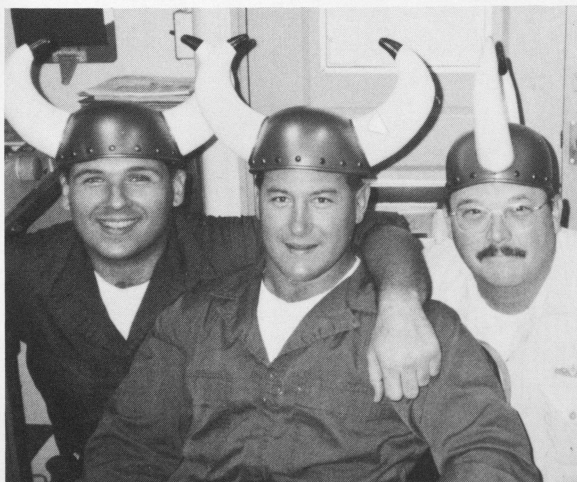
"ELVIS SPOTTED WATCHING BOARD GAMES IN BAHRAIN"



SHEIK FLANDERS

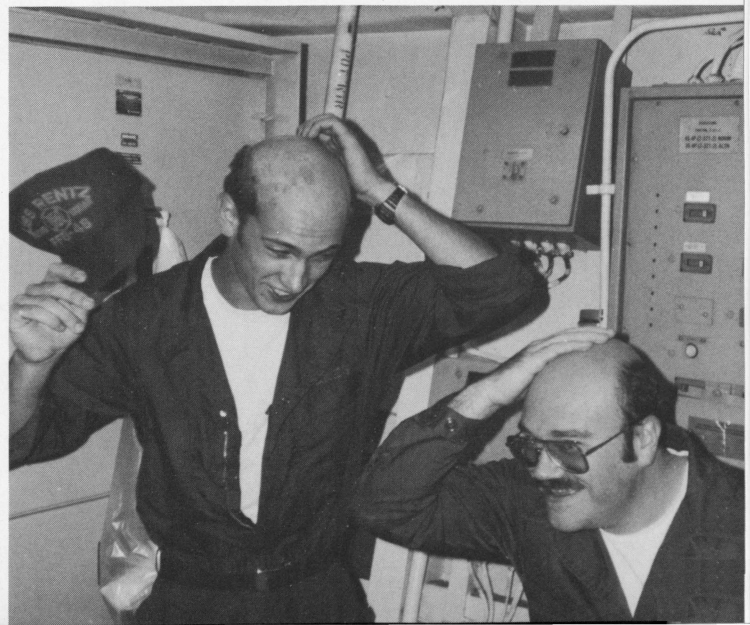


"JAMBO, MAAANN!"



"RUB-A-DUB DUB, HEY DOC, WHERE'S THE TUB"

BIG DADDY AND SON SPORTING THE CAPTAIN STUBBING LOOK

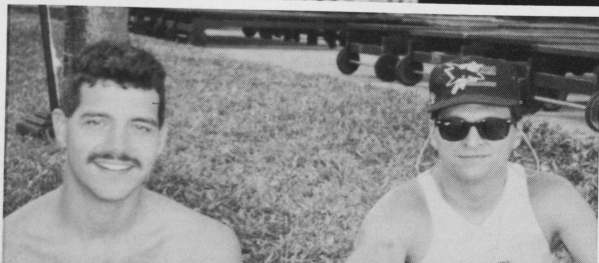
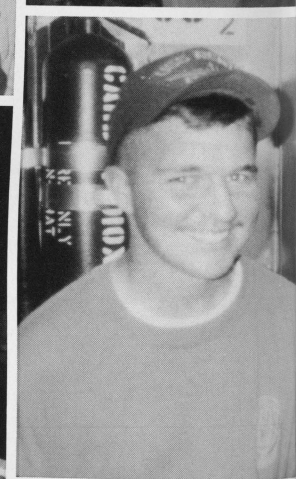
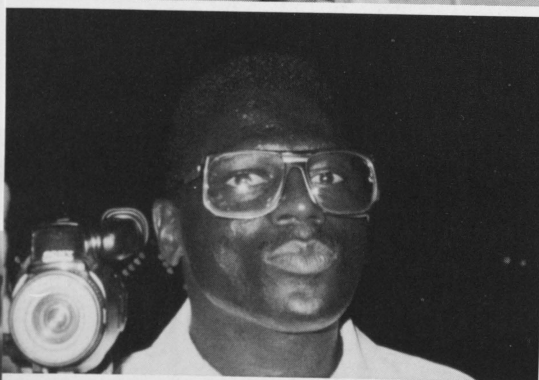
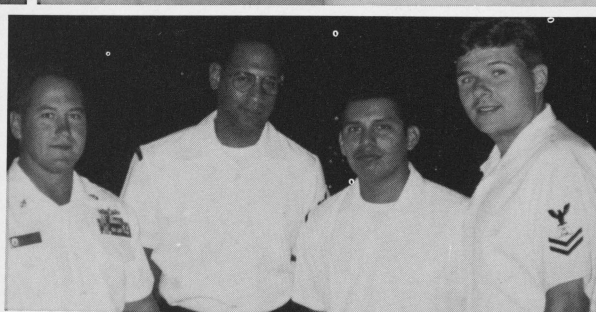
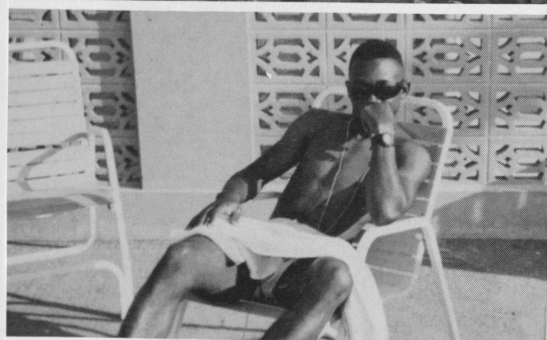
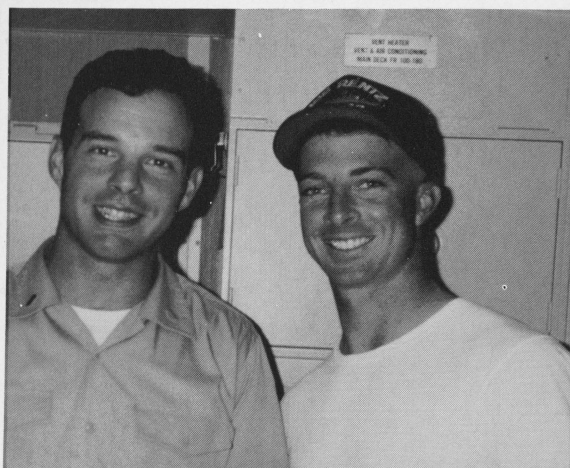


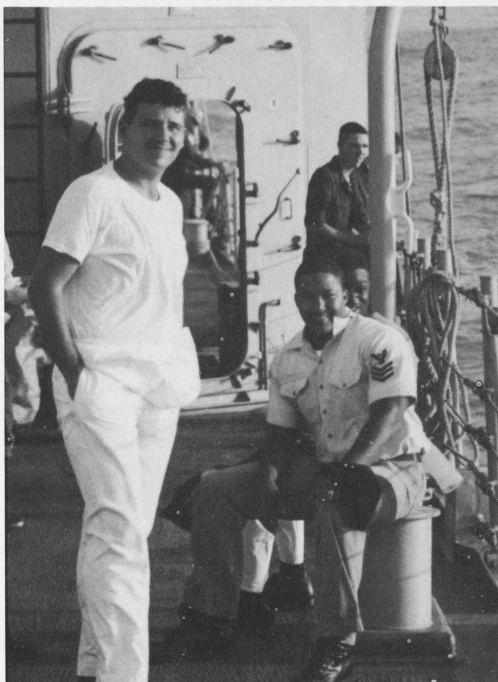
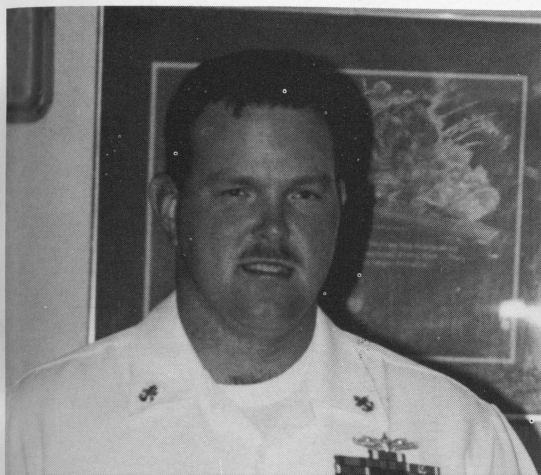
"GQ AT GQ"





THE CREW

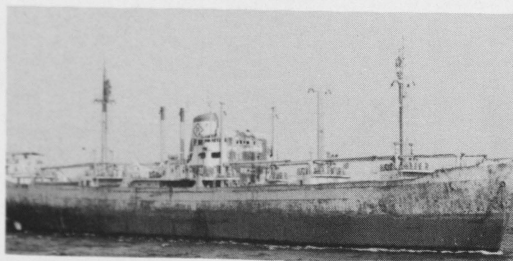
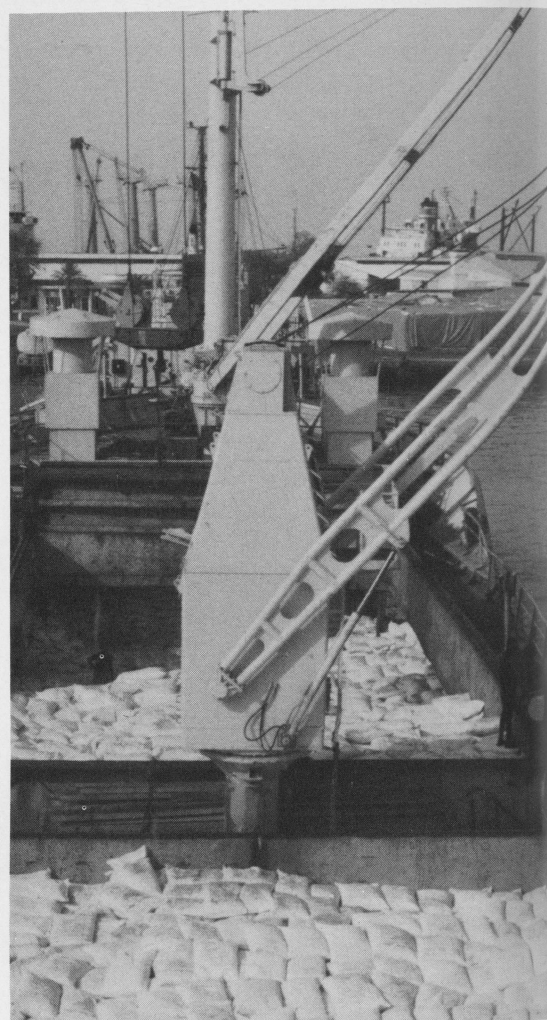




VBSS TEAM



At times they were called pirates, but they got the job done. The VBSS team's job was to board ships and check them for contraband that may be smuggled aboard. It was a job that had them up all hours of the day and night. The VBSS team boarded three ships during the deployment in the Arabian Gulf. One of which, named the "Usir", had them working for three days straight. With this boarding, the team was branded as "PIRATES" in the newspapers. This did not hinder the team as the continued boardings on other ships, then the "Usir" again. All in all, the VBSS team got the job done when called to action.

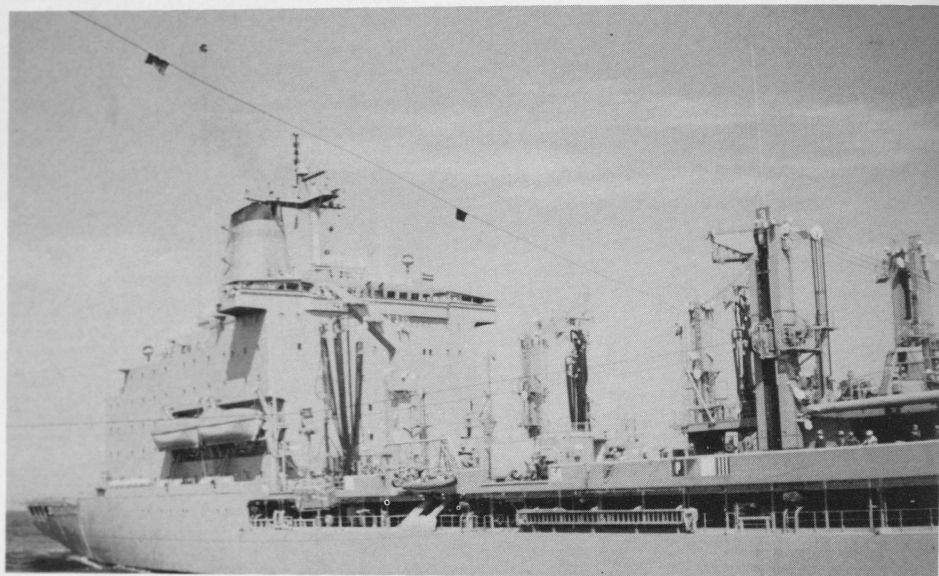




The "Jolly Roger" flying again after being declared as pirates, the cargo of the Usir, which had to be unloaded for inspection of the ship. The Usir sitting off the coast of Somalia, the target of the team, a tow.

The VBSS team in action inspecting a tug. The team overseeing the unloading of the Usir, STG1 Agunat and STG3 Stark ready for action if the team comes under hostile fire. The team deploying for another search.

UNREP



Ready Forward
Perfect Alongside
Stow the loose ends
Ready Aft





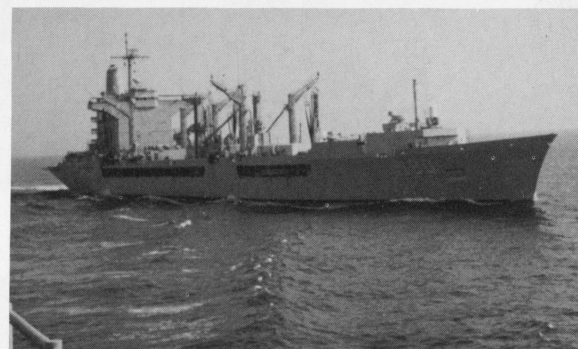
UNREP, one of the most dangerous, routine evolutions today. ALL RENTZ UNREPS during the deployment were executed flawlessly, a credit to LTJG Gunn, BMCS (SW) Walters, First division and the entire crew. BZ.

"Mr. Roth has the CONN."

"Just a little more, now HEAVE!"

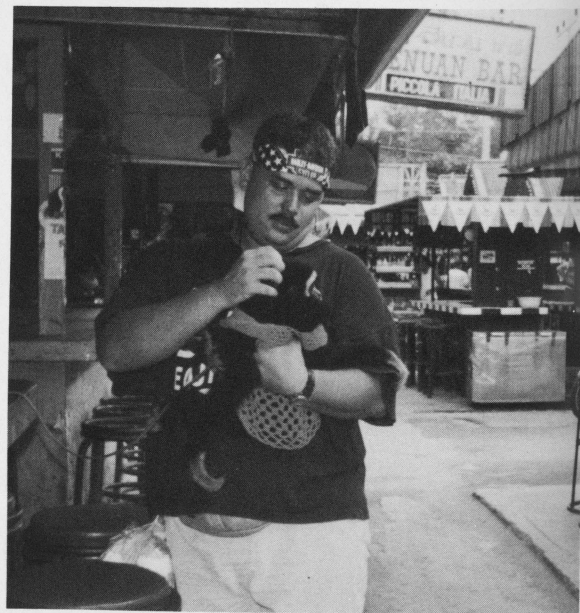
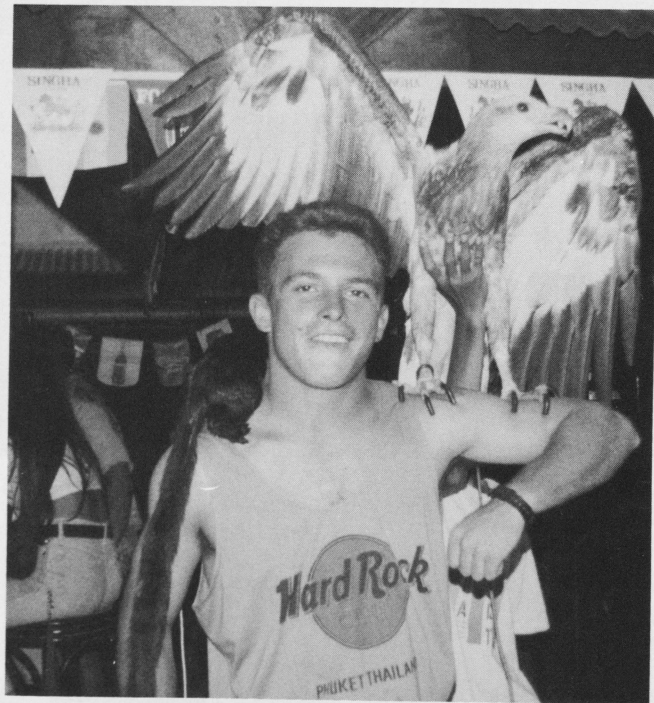
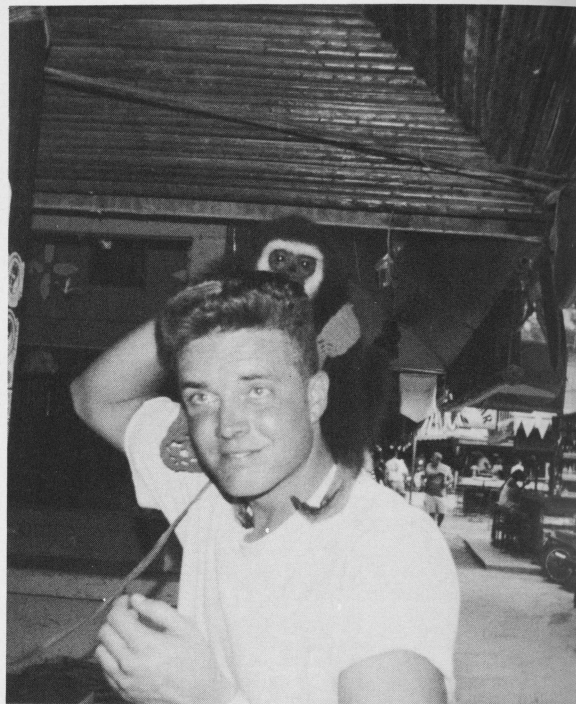


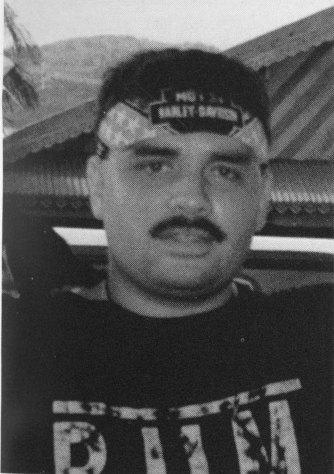
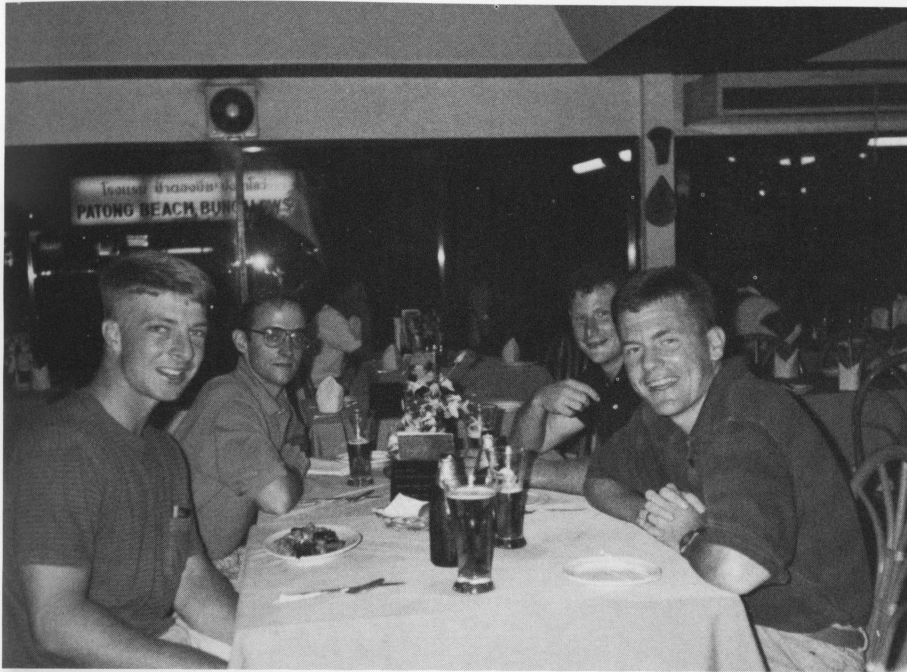
"LATER, until we meet again!"

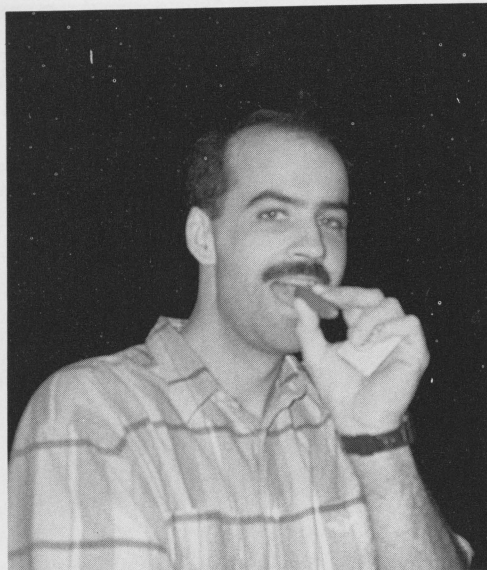
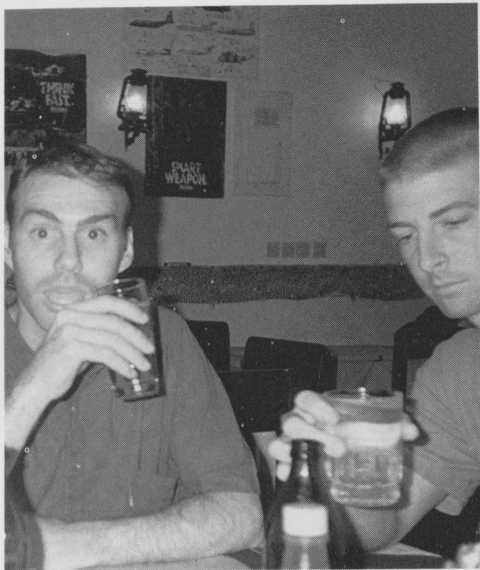


FELIX UNGER
&
OSCAR MADISON

THAILAND







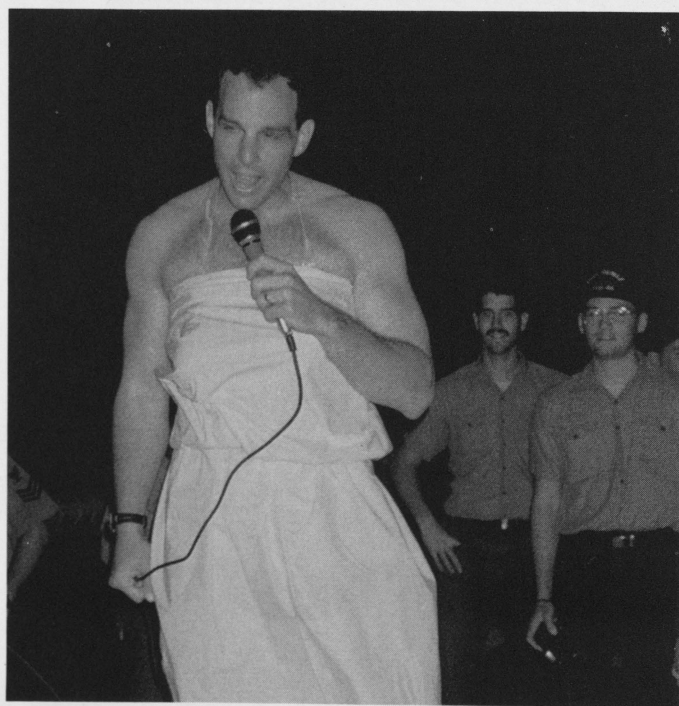
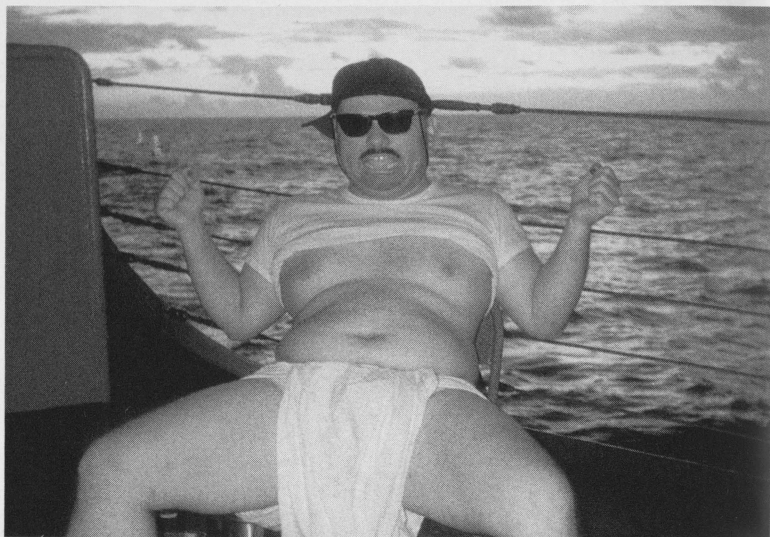
DJIBOUTI, AFRICA

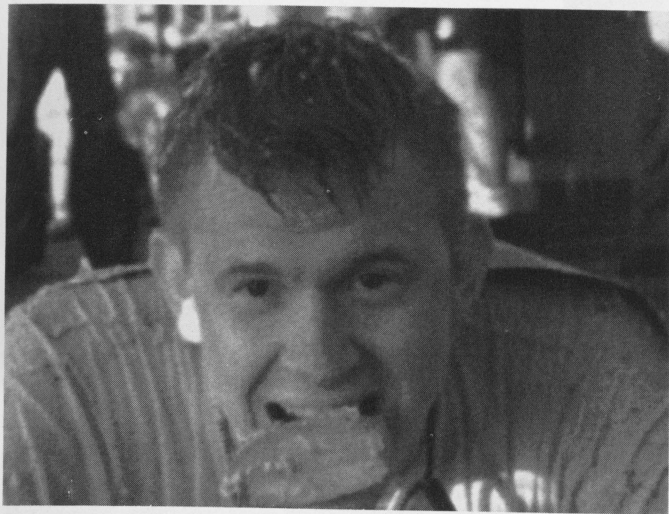




WOG DAY I

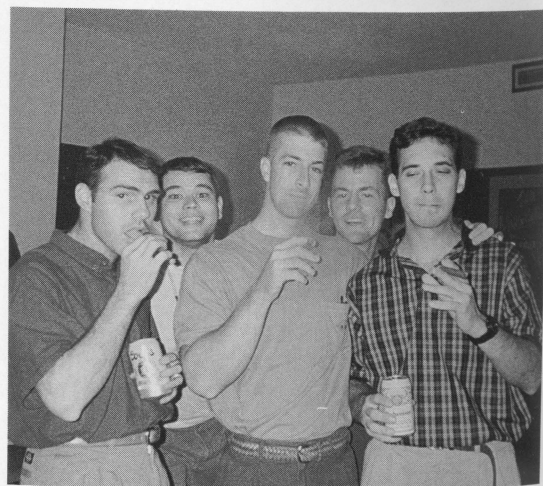
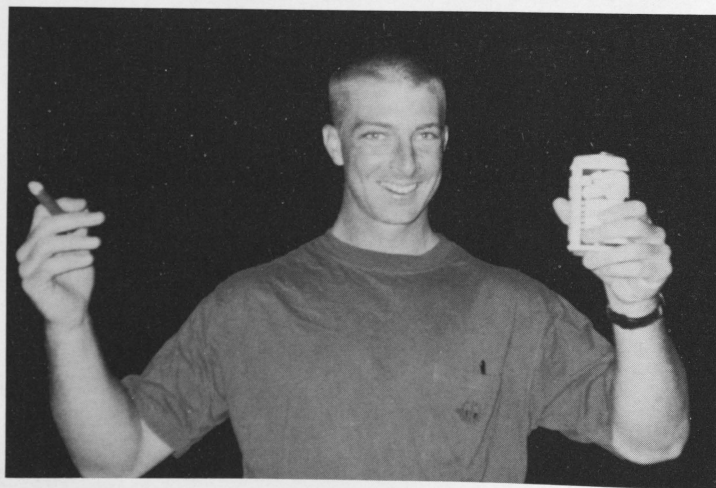
As we enter into the domain of the keeper of the deep, we call upon his holiness, king Neptune and his court to guide us through his watery reign. The great one cannot stand the presents of the slimy polliwogs that have infested our beloved ship so a great cleansing took place where we indoc-trinated almost half the crew which whom because honorable shellbacks.

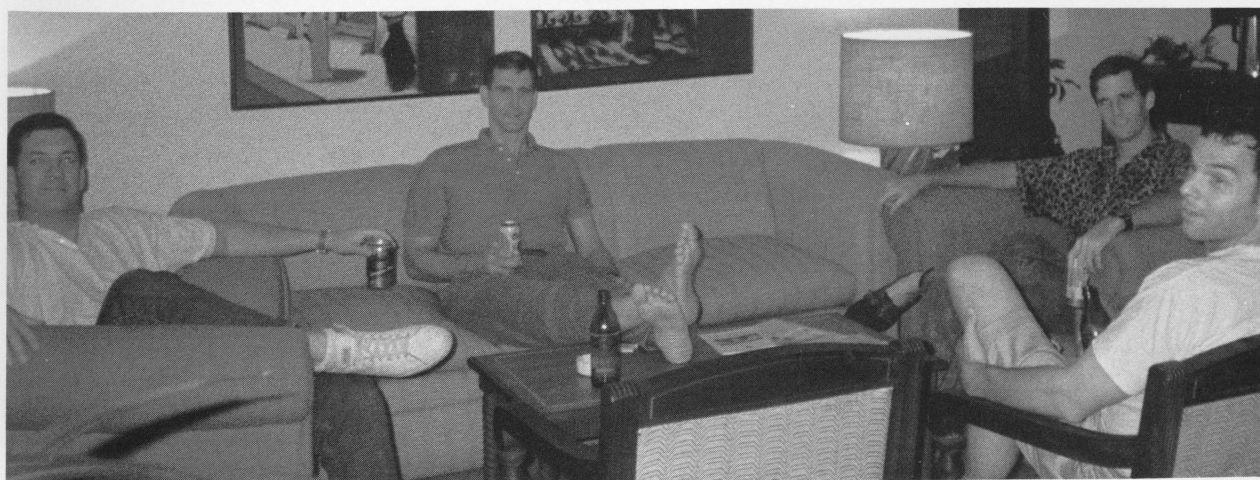






MOMBASA, KENYA





BAHRAIN ASU BASE

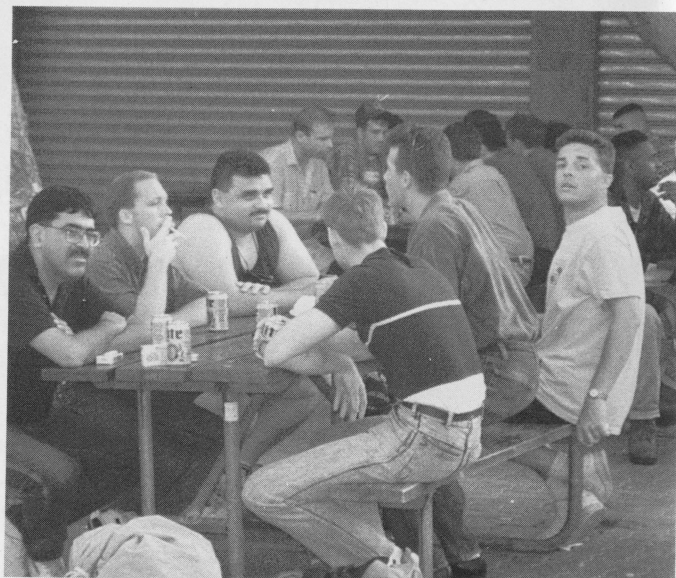
"At least I'm off the ship!"

"I think I'm going to be sick!"

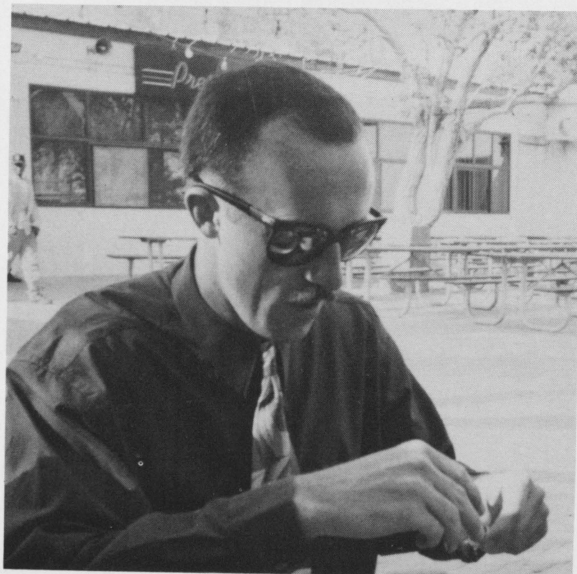
"Hey guys . . . A Woman!"



"I wonder if anybody noticed my tie?"

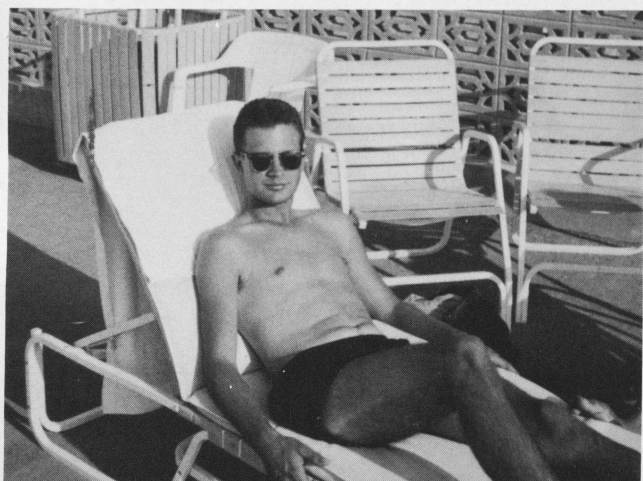


"Honestly, this has nothing to do with work!"

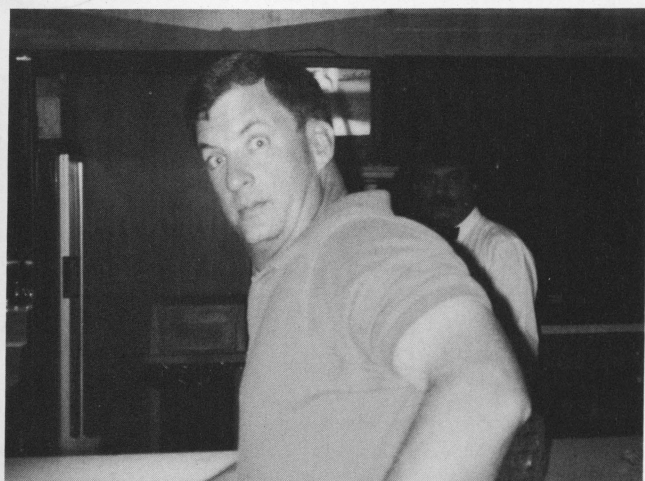




"Quick! Two more before the bus gets here."



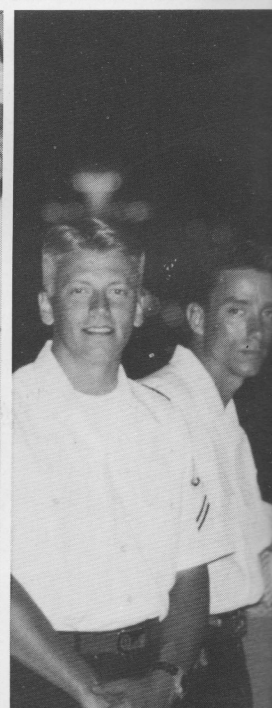
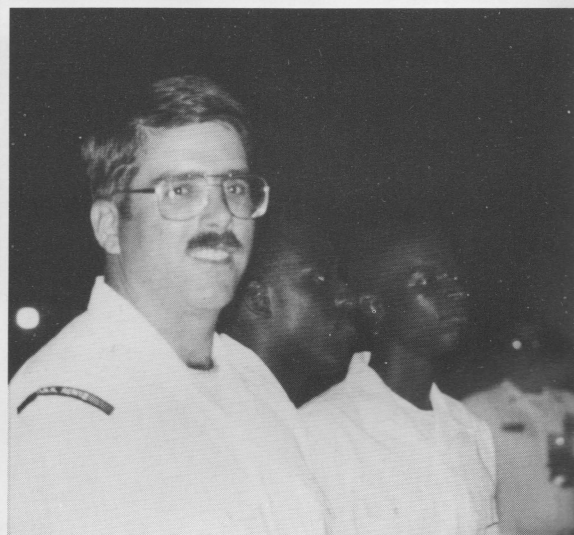
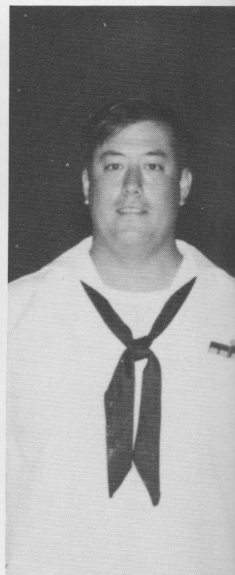
"I'm too sexy for Bahrain!"

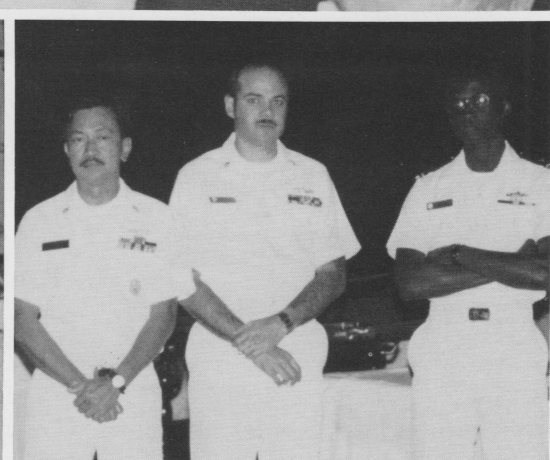
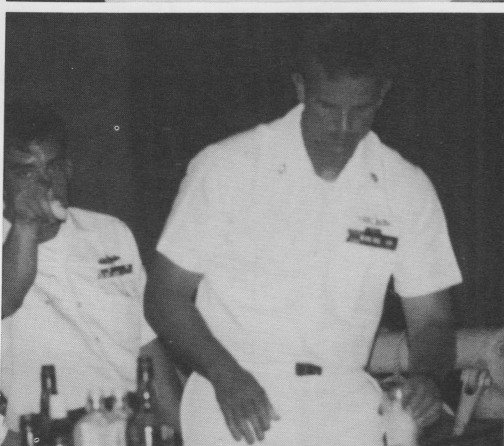
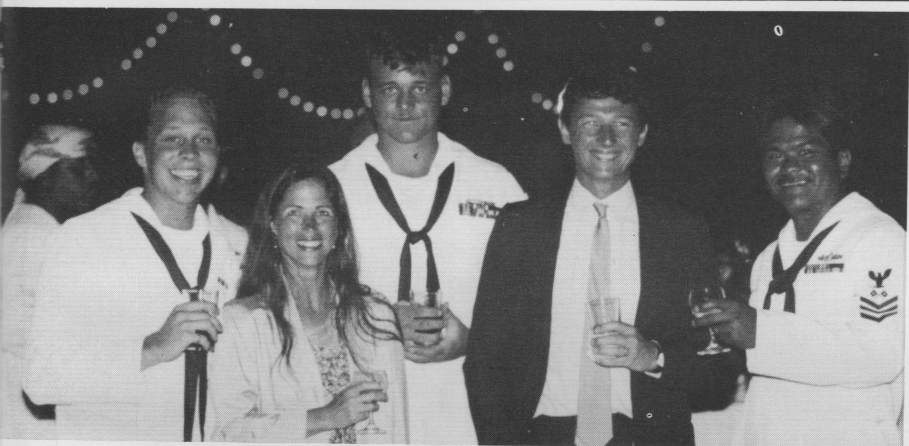
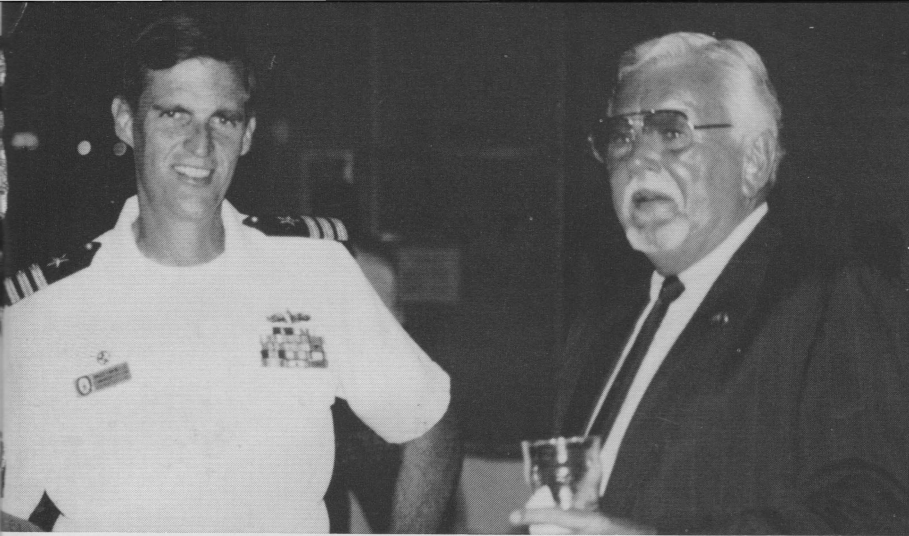


"Hey, your not an officer! But you can buy me a beer!"

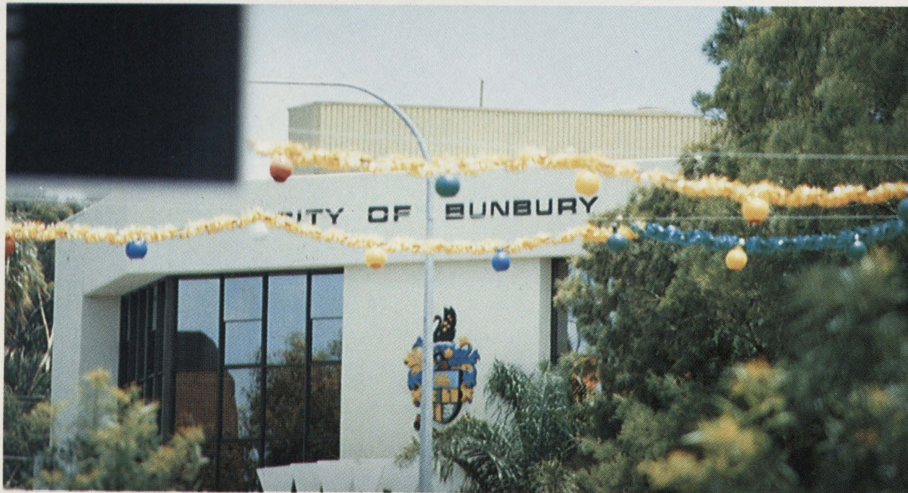
OMAN RECEPTION

The RENTZ held one of the most outstanding diplomatic parties onboard. The food was prepared by the ships MS's and served by our own personnel. All together the reception was a great success and we got to meet with some of the most important people in that area.





BUNBURY, AUSTRALIA



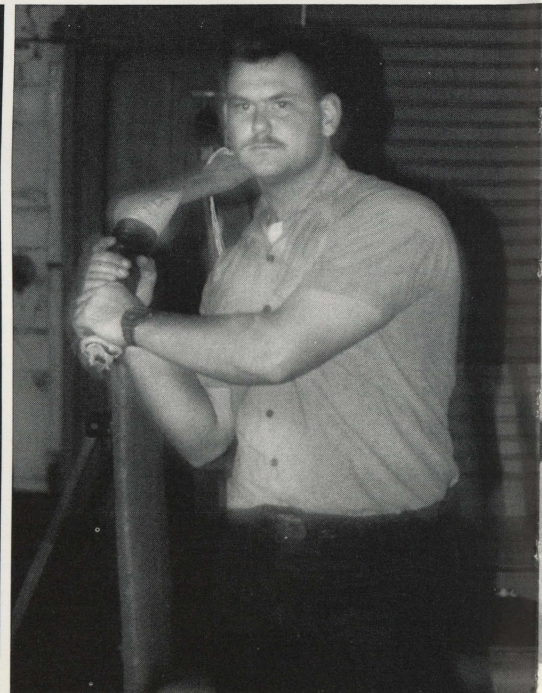
"All this and he can sing too!"

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

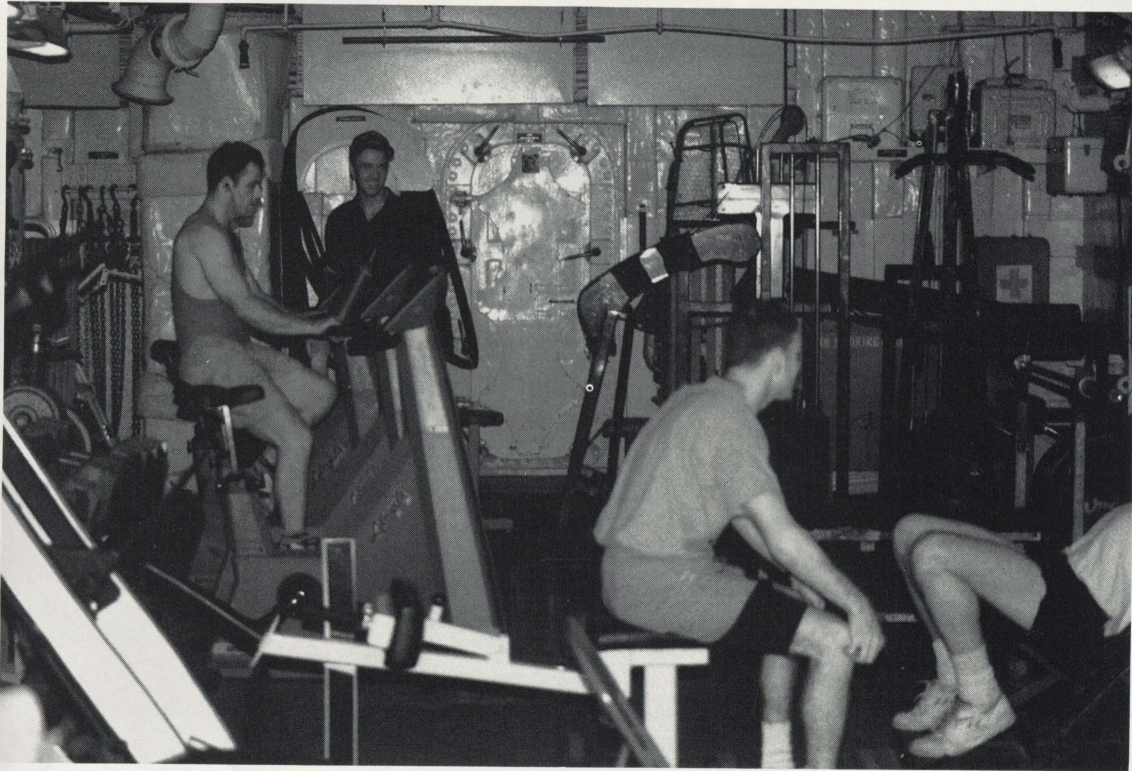


WOG DAY PART II

On our way back up from Australia, we happened to cross over the line into which we need the permission and assistance of King Neptune to navigate his domain. Because his majesty cannot stand the sight or smell of the slimy polliwogs that had infested our beloved ship, we had to once again cleanse ourselves of filth.



RENTZ GYM

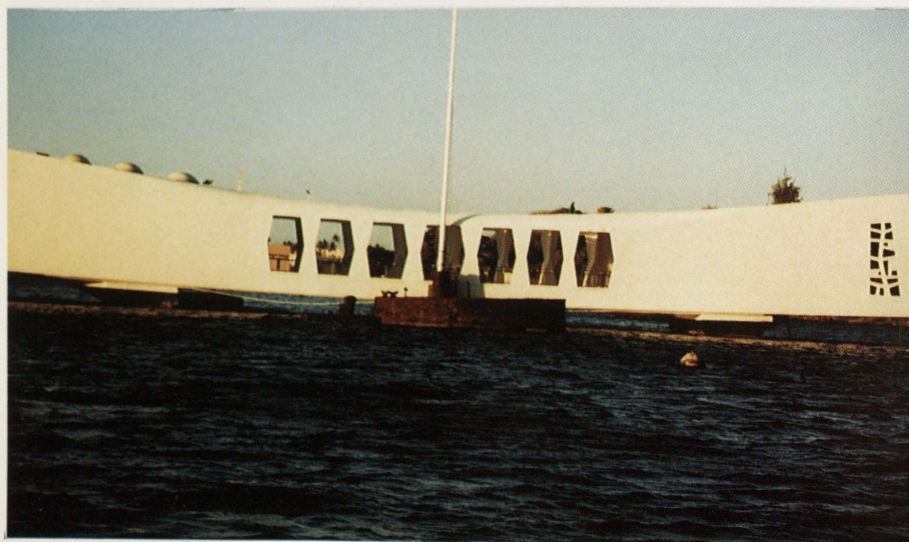


"Hey, who took the weights?"

"No sweat!"



HAWAII





"No really, a guy down that street sold it to me!"



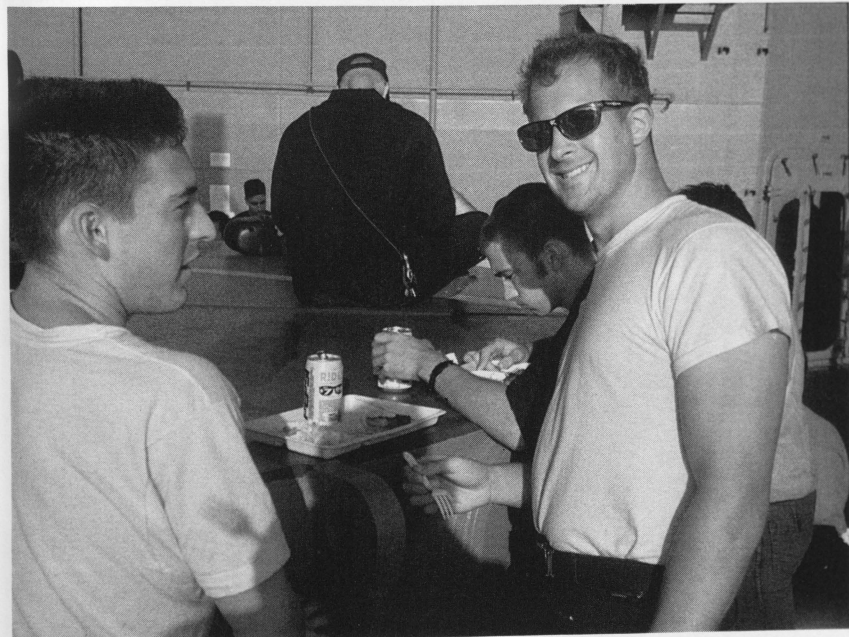
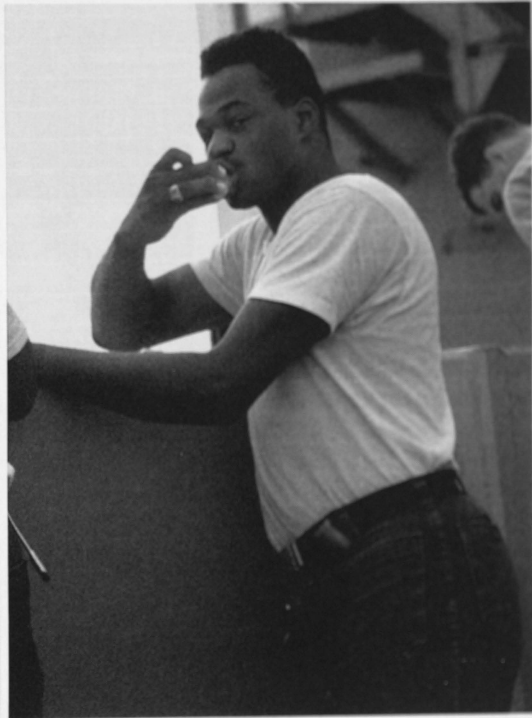
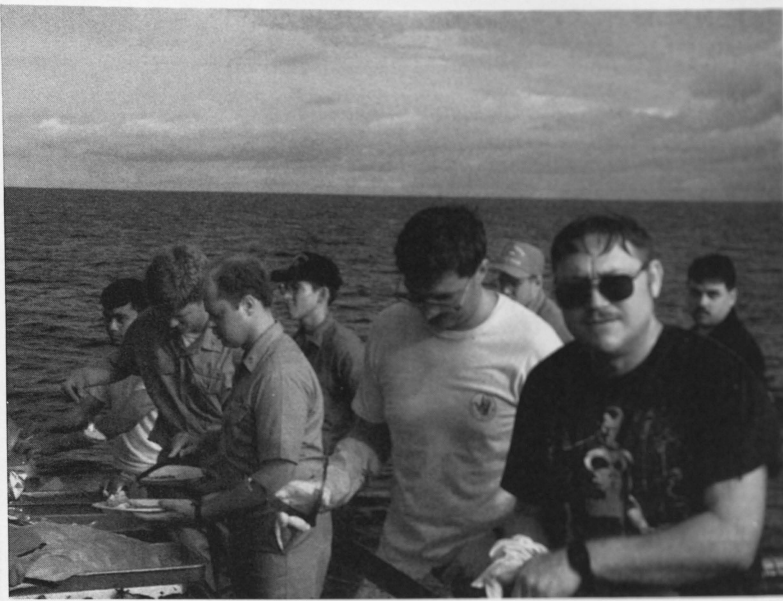
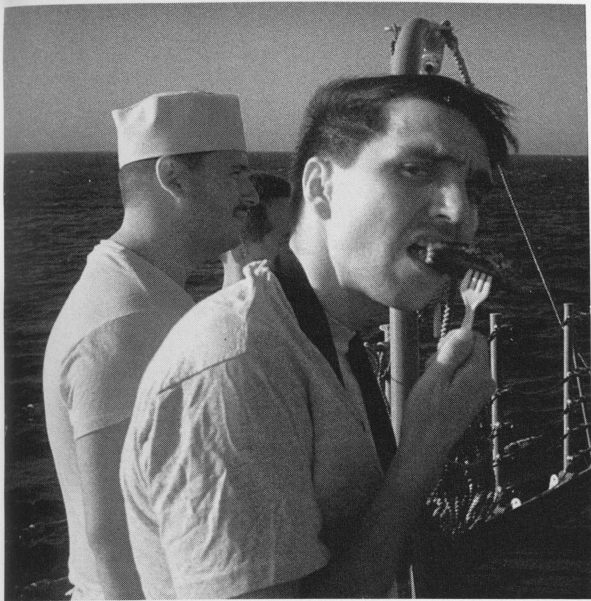
STEEL BEACH PICNIC



Steel Beach picnics are a time for the crew to get together and relax. This event is usually held on a Sunday evening. The cooks are volunteers from different divisions each time.

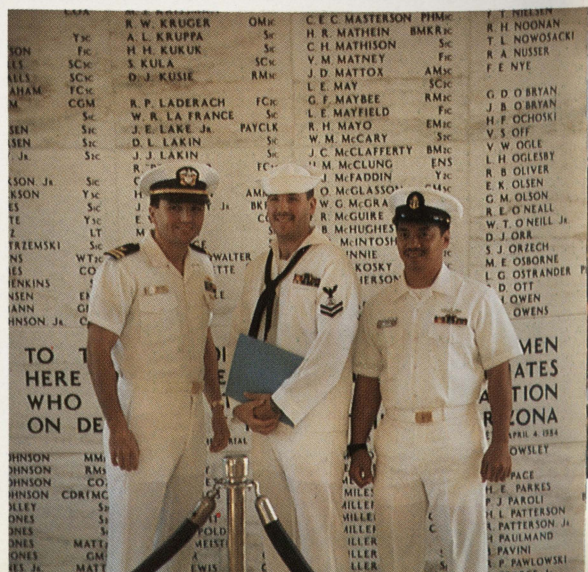
"Quick, pick it up before they notice!"

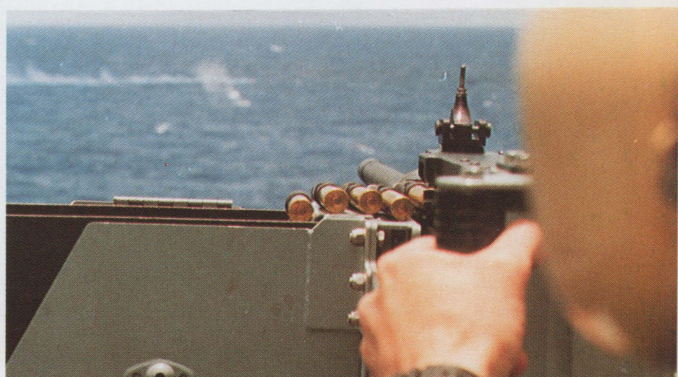
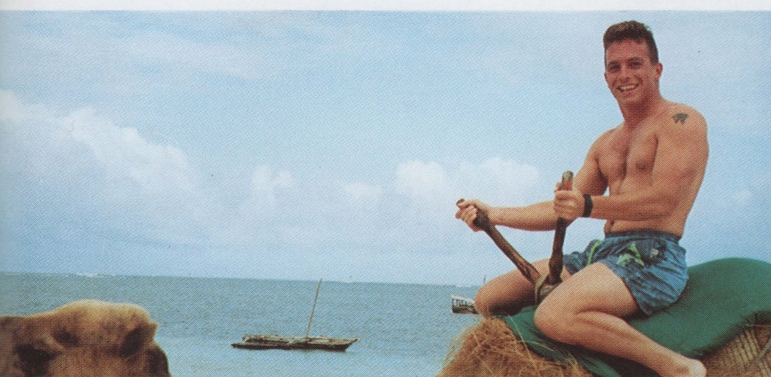




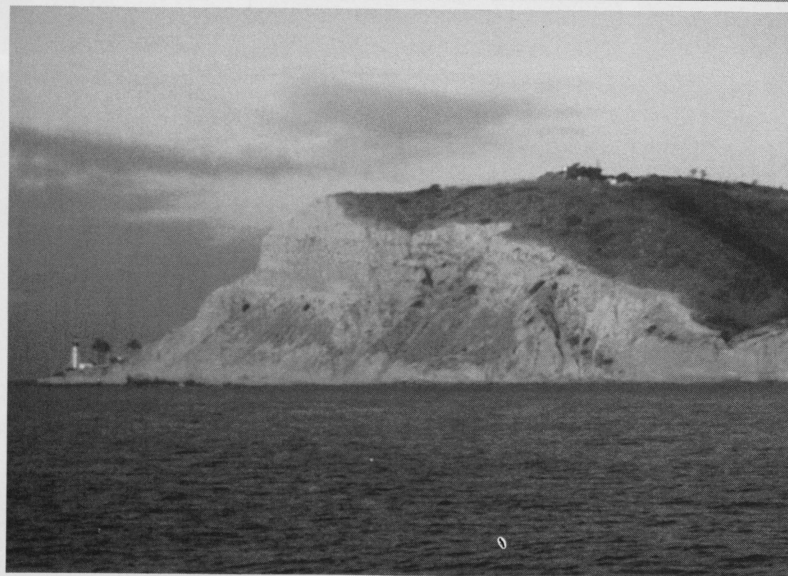
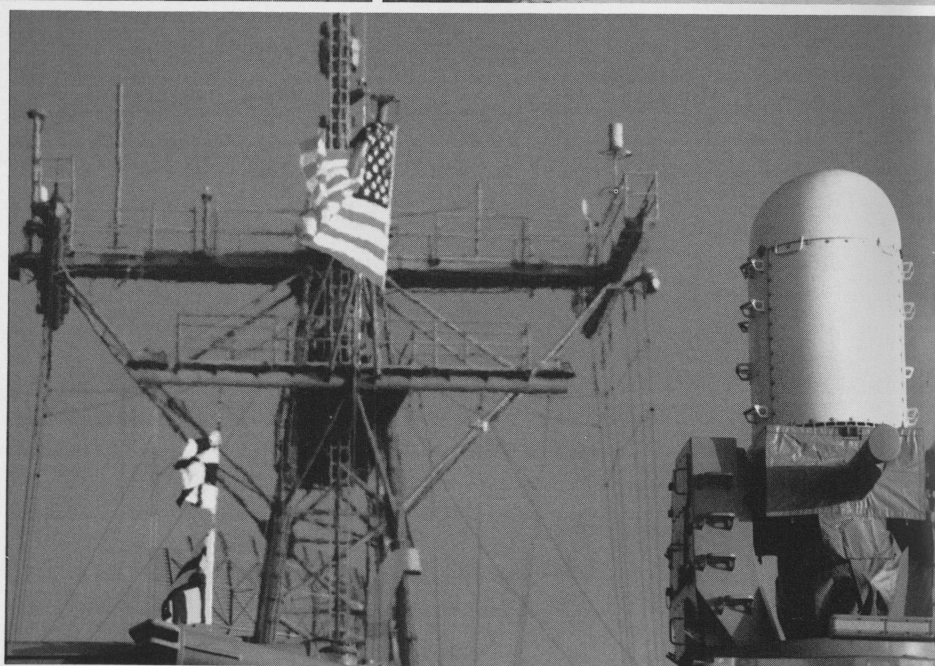
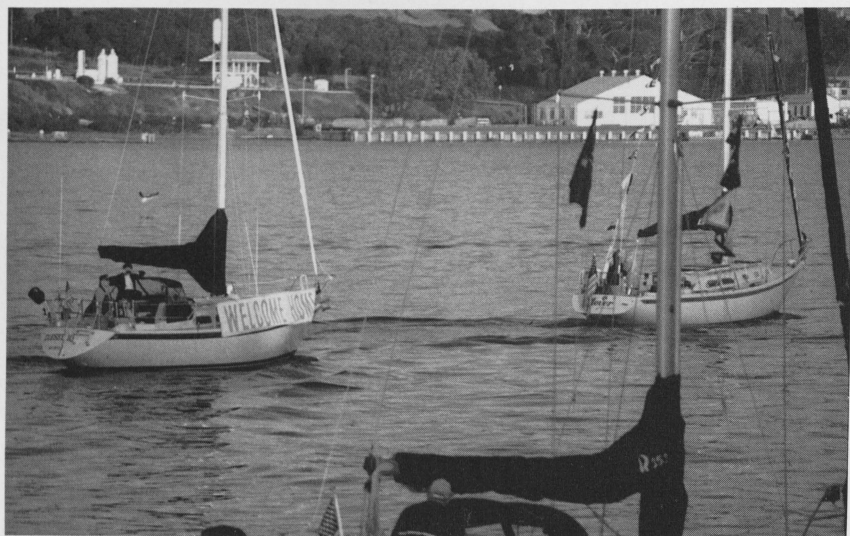
As SUPPO samples the local cuisine, and the crew enjoys the meal, we're ready to start another week, and yet can't help but think yet another week is gone.

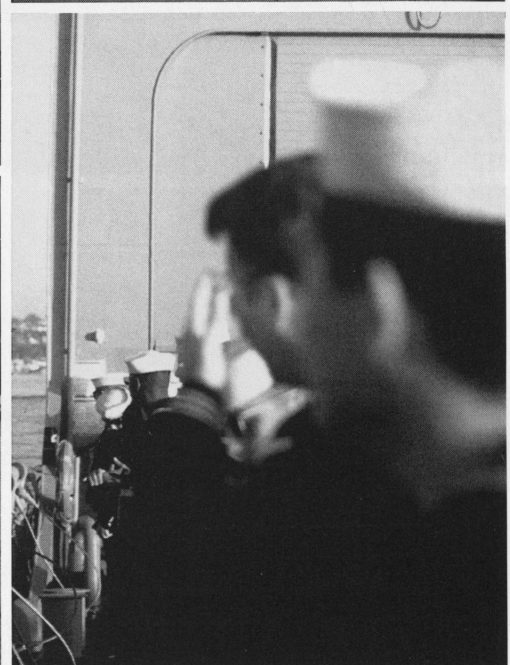
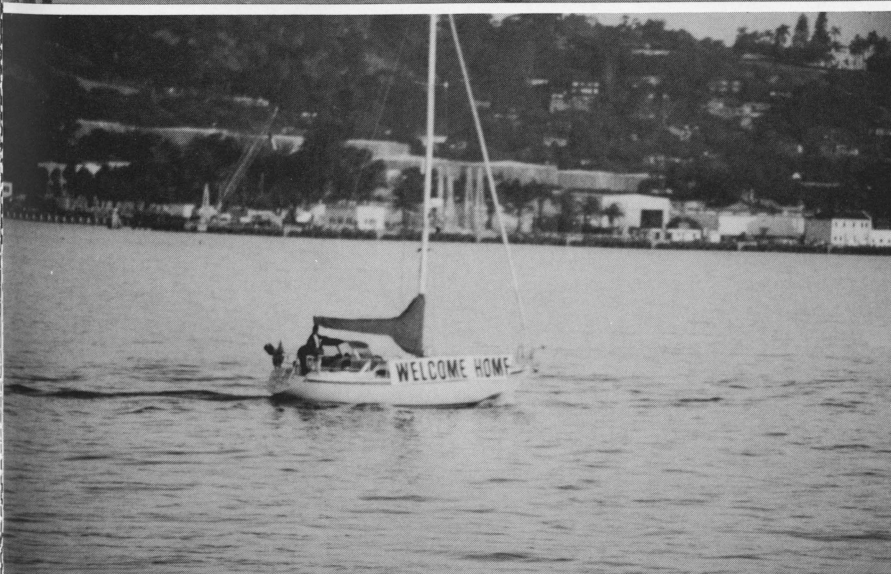
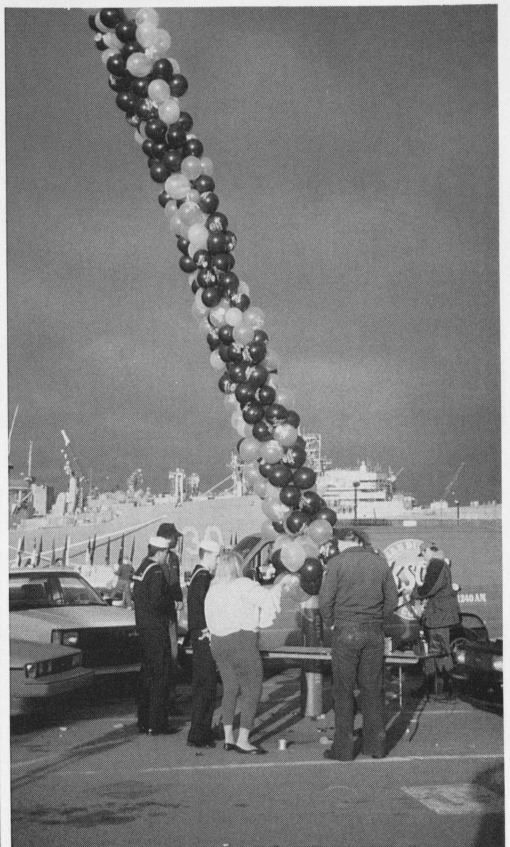
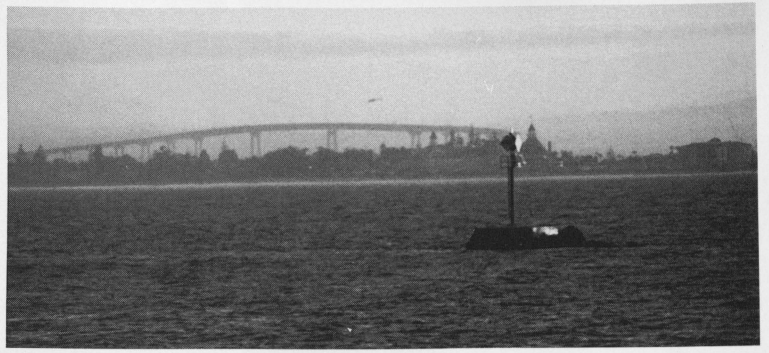
AWARDS AND RE-ENLISTMENTS

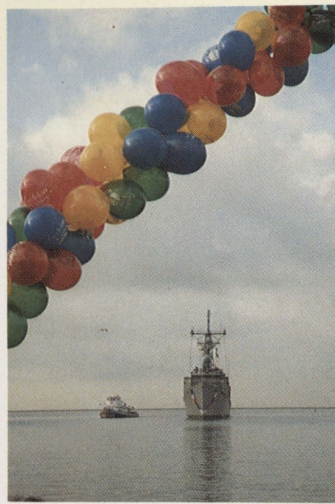




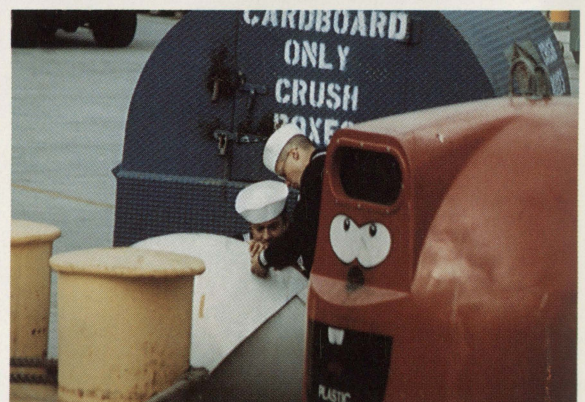
HOME COMING







Upon return, we bid a fond farewell to PN1 McConnell and SH1 Jimenez as they retire after 20 years of faithful service.





DEDICATION

There's no place like home, there's no place like home.



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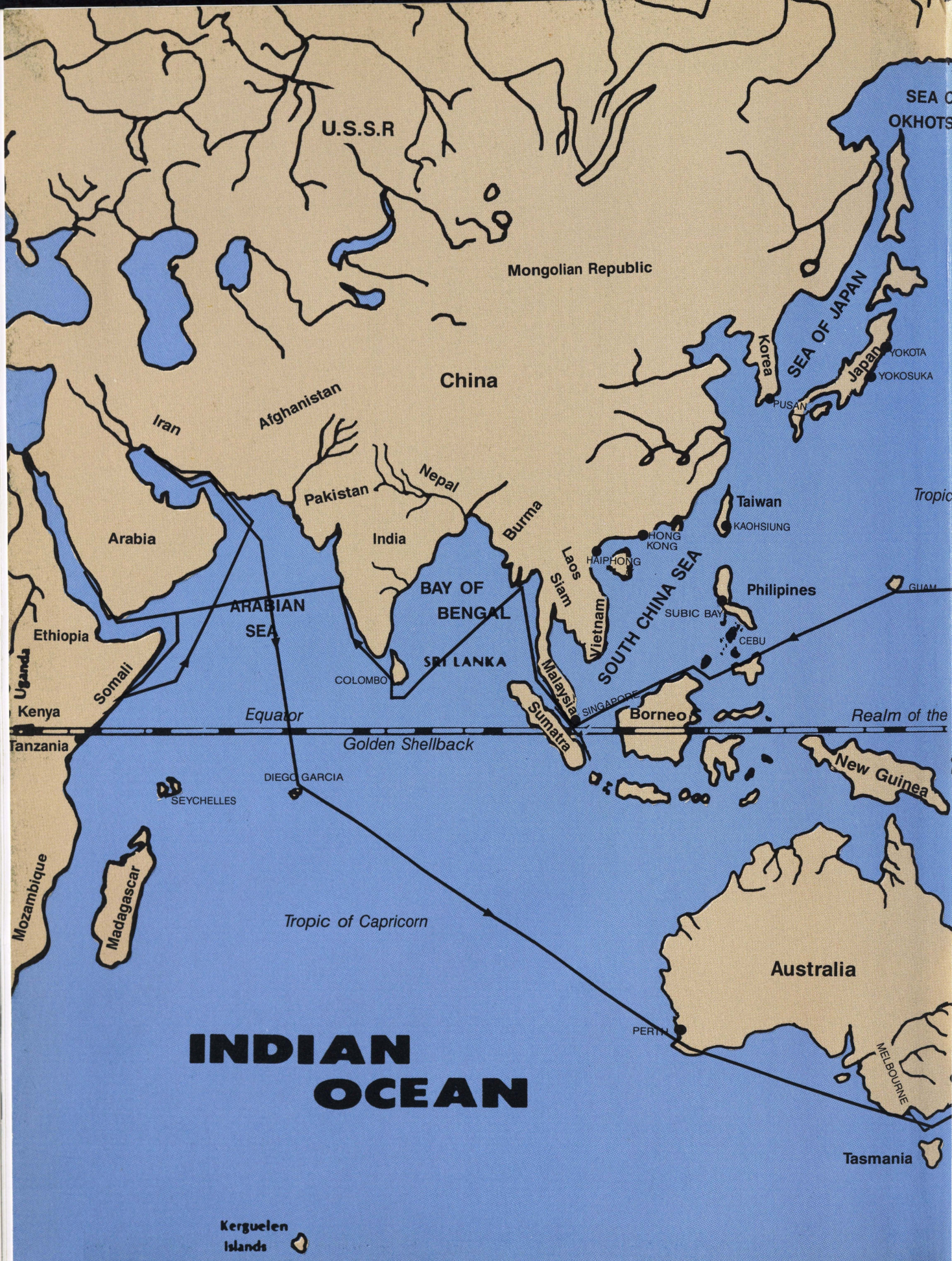
DEDICATION

When dedicating a book, you try and think of who put the most into it and who suffered the most by it. Well looking at the book itself what it represents, we, the crew would like to dedicate this book to all the wives, families and children that did without their loved ones for thanksgiving, christmas, and new years. It was hard for us to be away but it must have been really hard for the wives who had to explain the kids why daddy wasn't home to help dry their tears. A special thanks to Jennifer Matlock who sent us a christmas tree in August so that we could have a little christmas cheer on the RENTZ. So in closing all we can say it thanks for understanding, your support, and no matter what happens, we love you too.

THE CRUISE BOOK COMMITTEE:

To all the dedicated personnel who gave up nights sleep and days off to bring you this book:GSMC (SW) VANWAY, FC2 HIGGINS, GMM1 (SW) MATLOCK, MS2 COBURN, SN HALL, OS2 HANOLD, SPECIAL THANKS TO JAN M. RAY.





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